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Right Royal storm over mail misery

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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MISSING and late letters, post delivered to the wrong addresses and packages being returned to sender – and Royal Mail has still not admitted there is a problem.

When MK NEWS published a front page article (22/12) after Brinklow sorting office claimed postal deliveries were back to normal following modernisation, our readers were in uproar.

We received calls, e-mails and letters from people in Middleton, Monkston, Oldbrook, Kents Hill and across the city saying they are still experiencing lots of problems with their post.

Pauline Morris, 58, of Abbeydore Grove, Monkston, said her problems started in November.

She sent complaints to Royal Mail and received a first-class letter in response 17 days after it was posted.

She said: "We've not had some mail we were expecting in November, I'm missing at least ten letters."

"Hardly a day goes by that we don't get any mail as there are four people living here, but it stopped coming. We had a weekly publication that stopped."

"I spoke to neighbours and we have all been having these problems."

"A lady up the road had some glasses sent by recorded delivery, but they were returned six weeks later to the sender. She said there

was no letter put through the door saying they had tried to deliver it.

"One gentleman said he hadn't had any post for weeks, and was then getting other people's letters."

"I would like an apology, and I'd like an explanation. I'd like to know what they are putting in place so it doesn't happen again."

Mrs Morris had no delivery on Tuesday, so went to the sorting office where there were eight items of mail waiting for her.

Mrs Morris said: "I've now asked four or five people across the country and one in Canada to send me mail, and I'm going to see how long it takes to get here."

Another reader experiencing problems is David Horbury, of Middleton, who has been recording his deliveries since December 13.

One first-class delivery took 15 working days to arrive, a first-class business letter took 13 working days to drop, and a first-class letter containing a cheque took 11 working days.

He said he worries for those people who are expecting credit card and other bills, who might miss their payments.

He added: "I'd love to go in there and see what the stack of mail is like."

When asked for a comment before Christmas, a Royal Mail spokesman said changes were being made at Brinklow sorting office as part of a £2billion country-wide investment, but the new practices were now running smoothly.

Royal Mail will now not comment any fur-



Pauline Morris of Monkston with some of her late mail – and the first class letter from the Royal Mail itself that took 17 days to arrive

ther other than to say deliveries are going out on a daily basis, and: "The vast majority of Christmas mail was delivered despite the most hostile start to winter weather in the UK in living memory. We will continue to deliver any remaining items posted before Christmas as quickly as possible."

Royal Mail reiterated anybody with problems or complaints should call 08457 740 740.

■ See Letters page for more reaction to the postal problems.

If you want to make us aware of any problems you are experiencing, e-mail adam.grinsell@mk-news.co.uk

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Friends of Adil Basharat recording a song in his memory. From left: Dahnish Hussain, Nadir Khan, girlfriend Nisha Patel and Zain Hussain

Songs raise cash for flood victims

Foundation formed in memory of stabbed student Adil Basharat

BY ADAM GRINSELL
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A FUNDRAISING group for Pakistani flood victims has been set up in memory of stab victim Adil Basharat.

Since 16-year-old Adil died in hospital following an attack outside his school in Deanshanger, his friends and family have been looking at different ways to pay tribute to him.

The Adil Basharat Foundation was set up on Monday and, currently in the process of becoming a registered charity, has already raised nearly £2,000, which will build two freshwater wells in Pakistan.

Adil's sister Sobia, one of the

founders, said: "We haven't done anything before because we were still grieving, but this has helped so much.

"We are heartbroken and we're trying to do as many things as we can to help him up there. We don't want him to be forgotten and we want his legacy to carry on.

"This is something he would have wanted. He'd been looking at doing mountain climbing, so we're thinking of doing a sponsored climb and already lots of people have got in touch."

The foundation will also benefit from the proceeds of three songs by a new group called Immortal Voices, set up by Adil's pals including his girlfriend, Nisha Patel.

The song includes the lyrics 'Without you I'm left in the dark, so we light up the sky for you' and is in the process of being officially released along with Undying Love and Above The Clouds.

Best friend Zain Hussain, 18, said: "This music thing is moving quite fast – soon they should be on iTunes, and Fallen Soldier's been on the radio already.

"The first track sold £500 in one week, and that's at £2 a CD."

Nisha, 16, who sings on the tracks, explained it is important to make people aware of Adil's plight.

She said: "Any other donations will go to start building the campaign.

"We want the track to get bigger and we're also selling wristbands, we want more people to get involved and build on it."

There was also a second march through Wolverton on New Year's Eve, which followed a procession of nearly 300 people in the week Adil died.

Zain added: "The march was pretty amazing. I only expected a few people to turn up as it was New Year's Eve, but there were 50 or 60 people there until the end, buying our CDs. We made about £130 in two or three minutes."

■ To donate to the Adil Basharat Foundation, visit www.justgiving.com/adilb. The songs will be available to download from www.mkvibe.com later this week.

Boxing Day boiler burst closes school

A HEADTEACHER has pleaded for a good Samaritan to come forward after a school's boilers burst causing £20,000 damage.

The unknown passer-by saved Wavendon Gate School from further damage after hearing gushing water and alerting authorities.

The site manager at the school, Stephen Burns, raced to the school on Boxing Day to turn off the supply.

The school will now be closed all week while staff work to refurbish classrooms.

Headteacher Lyn-Marie Hollins-

head, said: "I had visions of us all out on the playground, but we'll be OK. We will be opening on Monday on temporary flooring and expect to be refurbished by half-term. If the good Samaritan would come forward, the children would love to say thank you."

Woman airlifted to hospital after three-vehicle crash

A WOMAN was flown to John Radcliffe Hospital in Oxford after a three-vehicle collision on Monday.

A further three people were injured and taken to Milton Keynes Hospital after the acci-

dent at around 11am on the A509 near Emberton.

A 43-year-old woman was taken to JR2 Hospital by air ambulance with suspected internal injuries. She was later discharged.

A 61-year-old woman sustained

minor cuts and bruises, a 15-year-old girl was left with a broken collarbone and abdominal injuries and an 18-year-old man sustained cuts to his knees.

The road was closed for around three and a half hours.

Rubbish backlog letter angers MK Council's leader

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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GOVERNMENT minister Bob Neill has asked the MK Council leader to explain to residents about rubbish collections.

Cllr Cec Tallack received the letter yesterday, sent to all local authorities, which suggests he reveals what action is being taken to tackle the backlog, and how the service will be maintained over the Easter bank holiday period.

Cllr Tallack criticised the letter, saying: "We've taken the situation extremely seriously."

"Clearly there were huge difficulties with collections and we didn't have the catch-up time we would normally have. We are not complacent about it, but there's no suggestion in the letter about how the collections might have been done differently."

Meanwhile, the waste collection team at the council is assuring residents all rubbish will be collected by Monday.

Andy Hudson, head of environment and waste, said extra crews and vehicles are out, and he is



Rubbish and recycling bags pile up on Springfield Boulevard

confident things will be back to normal next week.

He said: "We are working all the way through to Saturday and we are confident that we will finish everything by then."

"We apologise to our residents for the inconvenience and we thank them for the recycling."

"People have been bringing in their pink bags to the community recycling centres, which is the right thing to do."

On Christmas Eve Serco refuse collectors, who operate collections for the council, voted against industrial action over a pay claim.

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Youth robbed

A 16-YEAR-OLD youth was robbed last weekend.

The incident took place at around 5.20pm on Sunday evening as the victim cycled along Ashfield Grove, Bletchley. He approached three men and asked for directions as he was lost.

One of the men pushed the victim off his bike and stole his mobile phone.

The offenders are black, about 18 years old and all of them were wearing scarves around their faces. The main offender was wearing a black tracksuit top and bottoms, the second was wearing a grey tracksuit and the other was wearing a dark blue tracksuit.

If you have any information contact DC Hacker on 0845 8 505 505 or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Pub burgled

BURGLARS made off with around £700 after breaking into a pub.

The incident took place at around 7.45am at the Fox and Hounds, Stony Stratford, on Monday.

The offenders entered the building through the kitchen area and gained access to the flat above the pub.

If you have any information contact PC Stibbards on 0845 8 505 505 or call Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Pair fined for shining laser at a helicopter

TWO men have been charged with endangering an aircraft for shining a laser at a helicopter.

The helicopter, from the Chiltern Air Support Unit's base at RAF Henlow, was helping to search for a vehicle following an attempted burglary on Monday (03/1), when a laser was shone at it at around 4.40pm.

The helicopter crew directed officers on the ground to a house in Heelands, where two men

were arrested. Shannon Nunzio De Maio, 23, of North Ninth Street, and Kishan Chudasama, 21, of Wealdstone Place, Springfield, have since been charged with directing or shining a light at an aircraft in flight so as to dazzle or distract the pilot.

Both men were released on bail to appear before Milton Keynes Magistrates' Court later this month.

Raiders hit family hairdressers

BURGLARS stole almost £3,000 of hair products and electrical goods from a family business on New Year's Day.

The break-in at The Lounge hair salon, in Redways Drive, Oxley Park, took place in the early hours of the morning.

The offenders emptied boxes of Christmas decorations onto the floor and used the empty boxes to carry out the stolen goods.

Items taken included hair straighteners, hair-dryers, clippers, hairbrushes and over 70 items of TIGI hair care products.

Man hurt in New Year's Day attack

A MAN received a two-inch cut to his head after being assaulted on New Year's Day.

The incident happened at about 4.30am as the victim, a 30-year-old man, was walking home from an address in Padstow Avenue, Fishermead,

towards Oldbrook. As he reached the junction of Perran Avenue and Fishermead Boulevard, just off the redway, he was assaulted by a group of several offenders.

No description of the attackers is available.

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Kicking up a stink

SIR – I write in reference to the complete breakdown in rubbish collection over the last few weeks.

I run and cycle almost daily and some areas of MK literally stink.

Most people have few requirements from the council and one of them is that rubbish will be collected.

It's therefore rather bizarre that some (Lib Dem & Labour) councillors seem to think that we should be discussing how much taxpayers' money to spend on a traveller camp instead of concentrating on getting the very basics right.

I believe most readers will agree that it's difficult to understand the troubled mind of a councillor who believes that taxpayers' money should be spent on travellers, and not rubbish collection, education, reducing council tax, etc.

Perhaps those who want to support travellers should use their own personal money and use our (not their) money to run the basic services, such as collecting rubbish and clearing snow?

John Baker
Woughton

Estate in a state

SIR – Reading on your website 'The worst estate to live on unveiled'.

It's no surprise that Stantonbury is the eighth worst estate, the houses are damp many with cracks in them. They are dirty and uncared for, the footpaths are full of potholes and so are the roads.

The parking of cars on the pavement is so bad we have to go in the road to get past, we lost our shop with the promise of Sainsbury's coming here – well we are still waiting.

We are losing our doctors to Oakridge Park, wherever that is, and we have a high crime rate.

We have rats and the council and our parish council don't seem to care.

I have lived here 36 years and am watching it crumble away.

The best thing the council can do is knock it down.

Grace Quinn
Stantonbury

A warming welcome to the new year

SIR – Unprecedented floods in parts of Australia, while extreme heatwaves occur in other parts.

Three exceptional winters in a row in Britain.

Forest fires threatened Moscow in August.

Make no mistake: climate change is real.

So, what is the Government doing? The first three days of the New Year have already seen two relevant interventions: a massive rise in rail fares and a proposed easing of parking costs.

Both can only have the effect of making a bad situation even worse.

Frederick Toates
Sent by e-mail

Fuelling discontent

SIR – The new year sees more pain at the

pumps for drivers, with rises in fuel duty and VAT adding around 4p to the cost of a litre of petrol or diesel.

But these increases don't just hurt the driver and our hard-pressed haulage industry, they produce price rises at the shops for everyone.

Before the general election, David Cameron complained about how the previous government had hammered drivers with various taxes.

He added that he had to do things very differently and make life easier for families facing sky-high motoring bills.

He even indicated that he could help families by cutting fuel taxes when global fuel prices rise.

It is time to take Mr Cameron at his word.

The Association of British Drivers calls on the Government to scrap above-inflation fuel duty rises set for the next three years, and also plans for road pricing for lorries.

I urge readers to contact their MP at the House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA or via www.parliament.uk.

Brian Macdowall
Association of British Drivers

Let there be lights

SIR – It's not the bad weather that concerns me, it's the drivers who will NOT put on their dipped headlights in poor visibility.

They may be able to see where they are going, but other drivers cannot see them coming towards them until the last moment.

John McCafferty
Sent by e-mail

Come on Brinklow – get it sorted!

SIR – Re your front page article (22/12) and Mr Horbury's letter (30/12), in which he tried to lodge a complaint with the manager about the postal service he has been receiving from Brinklow Sorting Office.

Firstly, my congratulations on getting the name of said manager – we didn't. We too have been in the unenviable position of needing to complain.

Our problem, also experienced by others in our immediate area, is a Royal Mail parcel van driver who appears to take a perverse delight in completing 'You Were Out' cards rather than bother with trying the door bell or a knocker to see if the householder is in.

On numerous occasions we have found that piece of cardboard on our door mat when, not only have we been in the house but also family or friends, and windows have been open with cars on the drive.

My wife caught him once, when he put a card through the letterbox without bothering to ring the bell or knock.

She chased him down the drive – he had no parcel in his hand – and asked him why he hadn't rung the bell.

He claimed it didn't work which it clearly did when she tried it in front of him.

We have tried numerous times to complain, and if there was ever a system devised to put you off, try the Royal Mail

complaints procedure, and received promises that his performance will be addressed but to date there is no change in this behaviour. We know others suffer the same in MK – we regularly meet them in the queue at Brinklow.

Come on management in Brinklow, let's get this sorted.

Name and address supplied

■ SIR – We can report a similar experience of the failings of Brinklow sorting office to David Horbury (Letters, 30/12).

We received no mail for the week before Christmas and, for the two deliveries the week after, only three letters, one of which was a Post Office bill.

Despite assurances from Brinklow that all mail has been despatched it is clear that the sorting office has lost numerous Christmas cards and bills.

I really think that it is time that whoever is in charge at Brinklow got to grips with what is a shambolic service and advises us through your newspaper what they are doing to investigate what has happened to these missing items.

Steven Attree
Kents Hill

■ SIR – We totally agree the postal service not being fit for purpose.

We sent a recorded parcel on December 17 which has not arrived today (December 30).

Service has deteriorated and it's time for answers.

Mrs G Pearson
Bradwell

Library campaign

SIR – I am writing to make people further aware of the Save Stony Stratford Library Campaign.

We are desperate to save this essential local service from the budget cuts, and I urge people to get behind the campaign and tell the council that we will not accept its closure.

I've been made aware of a campaign on Saturday, January 15, urging every member of the library to take out the maximum number of books, which is 15.

It would be great to empty the library, to show just how many people use this valuable service and are passionate about keeping it in Stony Stratford.

Name and address supplied

Passengers first

SIR – I've been commuting to work by train now for over a year and despite ticket prices going up, certain train operators have yet to come up to scratch and I think it's high time they put the passenger first instead of their own profits.

The average commuter parts with a tidy sum of their hard-earned cash each month and yet still spends a record amount of time standing on some platform listening to an announcement informing them that their train will be late or has been cancelled.

Who would want to give up their car and chance their arm with the state of public transport as it is at the moment? The buses are overcrowded and infrequent and the trains are erratic as well as expensive.

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Honoured: Miriam Baldock MBE gets a pat on the back from colleagues at West Bletchley Community Centre

Secrets are out for honoured citizens

BY ADAM GRINSELL

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THE city was showered with honours last week in the Queen's New Year's awards.

Three people in Milton Keynes, one in Leighton Buzzard and the chief constable of Thames Valley Police were awarded with titles on New Year's Eve as part of the Queen's twice-yearly honours list. West Bletchley Community Centre worker Miriam Baldock, 67, received an MBE for services to the community association after having been involved with them for 38 years.

She said: "I'm so excited, I received the letter last week on my birthday, and that made it real. I had a letter that came in mid November, and I didn't quite believe it so I put it away and only took it out again last week to remind myself."

Miriam said the award was a surprise, and dedicates it to her colleagues.



'It tested my willpower and resolve ... it's not easy to keep it secret'
Keith Panes
OBE

She added: "I'm quite honoured, but there are thousands of people like me working in centres all over the country. I'm humbled and quite emotional actually, that ordinary people do get this kind of thing."

"This is for everyone, my family and my wonderful colleagues over the years. It's sort of saying thank you to all of them as well."

Retired head teacher and former Department for Education employee Keith Panes, 61, from Giffard Park, received an OBE for his work on facilitating the open-

ing of new academy schools across the country.

He said: "I was quite surprised, very, very delightfully surprised, it's something you don't normally expect at all."

"I received the letter in late November, and only my wife knew. It tested my willpower and resolve, and it's not easy to keep it secret because you're quite excited about it."

Keith is now keen to promote the honours list, as he says ordinary people from across the country deserve to be recognised.

He said: "There are local people who do amazing things and they equally can be put forward for honours."

Others to receive honours were Marie Collins, MBE, for voluntary service to sport, and Evelyn Sharp, MBE, for services to the community in Cheddington, Leighton Buzzard.

Thames Valley Police chief constable Sara Thornton received a CBE for services to the police.

Date set for murder trial

THE man accused of the murder of the Globe Inn landlord, Jaime Ball, appeared at Luton Crown Court on Tuesday.

Bernardo Durantes, 34, who lives at the pub in Hanslope, spoke only to confirm his name.

Judge John Bevan QC told him his trial would begin on June 6 at the same court.

Mr Ball, 29, received fatal stab wounds on December 28 shortly before 11am and he was taken to Milton Keynes Hospital where doctors could do nothing to save him. He was pronounced dead shortly after arrival.

Mr Durantes of Hartwell Road, Hanslope, was remanded in custody and did not apply for bail.

He will return to court on February 21 when the murder charge will be put to him for the first time.

Deadline day looming for school place applications

PARENTS and carers have just 11 days to apply for September primary school places or face missing out on preferences.

The council has received more than half of the estimated applications, and around 600 more are expected.

With the closing date of Monday, January 17 in sight, parents are urged to apply online, or take their completed form to their school as soon as possible.

Any applications received after the closing date will not be processed during the first round, and children may be less likely to gain a place at one of their preferred schools.

Parents can complete an online application at www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions. This must be submitted by 5pm

on deadline day. The application can be retrieved and amended right up to the deadline.

Applications can be taken into the child's current or local infant, junior or primary school no later than 3pm on deadline day or posted or hand delivered to the school admissions team at MK Council on Avebury Boulevard by 5pm on Monday, January 17.

For children attending a school outside Milton Keynes or an independent school, parents and carers should return their form to the School Admissions Team.

For more information visit www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/schooladmissions or contact the school admissions team on 01908 253450 for primary admissions or 01908 253489 for secondary admissions.

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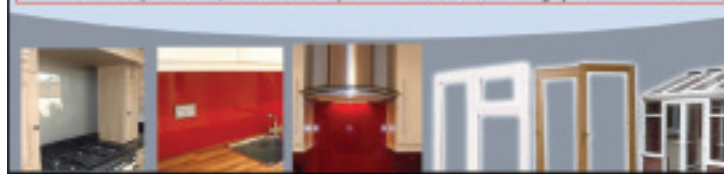
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2010 will be remembered as a largely successful one for sport in Milton Keynes, but the disappointment of MK Dons' failure to reach the League One play-offs is hard to disguise. MK NEWS Sports Reporter Simone Corgan looks back at 12 action packed months

JANUARY

A BUSY month for MK Dons who started the year with a 2-0 defeat at home to Premier League side Burnley in the third round of the FA Cup.

They thrashed Hartlepool 5-0, beat Tranmere Rovers, drew 1-1 with Exeter City, and trailed Southampton 1-0 after the first leg of the JPT southern area final.

Dons were hit with two disciplinary charges – one for the club the other for manager Paul Ince – by the FA for incidents at Huddersfield in the previous month.

But there was better news in the form of Willy Gueret, Sam Baldock and Dean Lewington all penning new deals while Arsenal's Mark Randall and Tottenham's Andros Townsend joined the club on loan.

A NEW kind of basket was introduced to thecentre:mk as MK Lions moved to the shopping centre and opened their new temporary home with victory over Essex Pirates.

FORMULA One supremo Bernie Ecclestone confidently predicted Red Bull Racing's Sebastian Vettel would take the title.

THE impressive MK Lightning were flying high at the top of the English Ice Hockey Premier League. They beat Romford Riders, Sheffield Scimitars, Manchester Phoenix and Guildford Flames. They suffered just one defeat at the hands of Slough Jets.

FEBRUARY

LIGHTNING confirmed their place in the BBL Cup final with a superb 11-5 aggregate win over Manchester Phoenix, but suffered their first defeat in 16 games when they were beaten by Guildford Flames.

Victories over Basingstoke Bison, Swindon Wildcats, Romford Raiders and Sheffield Scimitars kept Lightning at the top of the table.

LIONS booked a spot in the BBL Trophy semi-final when they limped to victory over Worcester Wolves at another sell-out game in thecentre:mk.

It was a mixed month for Vince Macaulay's men who beat Everton Tigers, Cheshire Jets and Wolves, this time in the league.

But they conceded a century of points to Leicester Riders, Everton Tigers and Newcastle Eagles in crushing defeats.

DONS' inconsistent form continued to get the better of them as



The opening stages of the first ever MK Lions basketball match at thecentre:mk

Aaron Wilbraham was on target to help them to victory over his former side Stockport County.

But chances of a second day at Wembley in three years were ended when Southampton knocked the Dons out of the JPT with a 4-1 aggregate scoreline.

Paul Ince's men also suffered their heaviest defeat in three years – a 5-0 thrashing at Carlisle United and a loss at Millwall was sandwiched between six points from Southend and Yeovil.

WOBURN golf professional Ian Poulter became the first Englishman to win the WGC-Accenture Match Play tournament and picked up £907,113 in prize money.

RED Bull Racing unveiled their new RB6 later than the rest of the Formula One pack after deciding to spend more time building than on the track. The team also announced Daniel Ricciardo and Brendon Hartley as their reserve drivers for the year.

Southampton. The month ended with boss Ince being sent to the stands during their draw with Gillingham, with the Dons' play-off hopes all but over as they were seven points adrift.

MILTON Keynes-based Grafton Honda launched their own race team with rider Richard Green entering the British National Superstock 1000 class.

AN eighth straight league defeat dented MK Lions' pride as their season began to fall apart but there was hope as they headed into the second-leg of their BBL Trophy semi-final with a slender lead over Cheshire Jets.

Their stint at thecentre:mk ended in style with an 11-point winner over Guildford Heat.

RUNNER Chris Clarke was a shock medalist at the World Indoor Athletics Championships in Qatar. The MK Athletics Club member was a part of the bronze winning 4x100m team.



Celebration time as MK Lightning win the EPL title Picture Jez Tibbetts

MARCH

LIGHTNING won their first piece of silverware in four years as they were crowned English Ice Hockey League champions.

The side clinched the title with a 3-1 win over Swindon Wildcats but player-coach Nick Poole's hopes of winning the treble were ended when they were beaten by Guildford Flames in the EPL Cup final.

DONS chairman Pete Winkelman rubbished rumours suggesting he was about to sack Paul Ince and appoint Brendan Rodgers.

A NERVY 2-1 victory at home to Swindon Town gave the Dons their first back-to-back wins since January, quickly followed by a 3-3 draw at Brentford.

A Rickie Lambert hat-trick condemned the Dons to their fourth defeat of the season by

A SELL-OUT crowd watched professional boxing at stadiummk for the first time.

RED Bull Racing's season began with a dull affair in Bahrain which saw Vettel miss out on the podium in fourth and Webber finish eighth.

There was more disappointment for the Tilbrook team in Australia when leader Vettel was forced to retire and Webber slipped from second to ninth.

GHANAIAN skier Kwame Nkrumah-Acheampong took to the ski slopes in Vancouver in the Winter Olympics.

OLNEY'S Anna Turney clinched sixth place in the sit skiing at the Vancouver 2010 Paralympic Games.

APRIL

DONS boss Paul Ince conceded the club's play-off ambitions were over following their defeats to Charlton and Bristol Rovers over Easter.

Ince promised fans the season would not fall away, but cracks continued to show despite a draw with soon-to-be champions Norwich as a dreadful stalemate with Oldham led to the manager blasting the boo-boys of stadiummk.

Days later Ince announced he would resign at the end of the season, but was not seen back at the club.

In his absence they lost the Bucks derby against Wycombe Wanderers and had three men sent-off in the 4-1 defeat at Leeds.

MK NEWS revealed John Gorman was in talks with chairman Pete Winkelman to join up with Karl Robinson to oversee the last few games with a view to being the permanent managerial set-up.

THE Lions took up residence at Stoke Mandeville in Aylesbury but Plymouth Raiders ruined the house-warming party by beating them 111-107.

Losses to Worthing Thunder and Newcastle Falcons meant Vince Macaulay's side were left with a play-off meeting at Sheffield Sharks.

And the season ended in heartache as Lions, who finished seventh in the table, crashed to a 104-93 loss at the hands of the Sharks.



Alex Rae, Karl Robinson and John Gorman team up at MK Dons

in 11 and in a miserable 12th place – 20 points off the play-offs.

KARL Robinson became the youngest manager in the Football League at the age of 29 as Pete Winkelman confirmed him as MK Dons' new boss on May, 10. Robinson, assisted by John Gorman with Alex Rae staying on as first team coach, promised a new dawn at the club.

FORMER German international and World Cup finalist Dietmar Hamann joined Gary MacKenzie, David Martin and Lewis Guy as new recruits at MK Dons.

MK Lightning announced the re-signing of captain Adam Carr and player-coach Nick Poole.

JUNE



TWO full internationals were played at MK Dons' stadium ahead of the World Cup in South Africa.

The venue was a last minute choice to stage Nigeria versus Colombia, which was held behind closed-doors, and more than 8,000 fans watched Ghana beat Latvia 1-0.

QPR winger Angelo Balanta joined the Dons on a season-long loan. Dons first team coach Alex Rae was eyed up by Scottish Premier League Kilmarnock as a potential new manager, but nothing was to come of it.

MONIR Kalgoum, Barry Hollyhead and Alex Mettam all signed up for another season with the city's ice hockey outfit.

MK Lions legend Mike New was confirmed at the new boss of the basketball team.

The former power forward/centre retired from playing months early, and stepped in to the role left vacant by Vince Macaulay.

SEBASTIAN Vettel and Mark Webber both rubbished rumours of discontent at Red Bull, but neither was able to find a place on the podium in Canada.

Two weeks later Webber survived a spectacular crash at the European race as Vettel stormed to the top spot.

BRITISH National Superstock 1000 competitor Richard Green completed the ambition of a lifetime as he took to the track in the support race to the MotoGP at Silverstone.

NORTH Crawley inflicted a first defeat of the season on league leaders New Bradwell, cutting their lead at the top of the Morrisons Four Counties cricket league to 27 points.

MK'S athletes had mixed fortunes at the European Trials and UK Championships.

None were able to book their spot on the plane for the European Championships but Mervyn Luckwell impressed in the javelin while Craig Pickering finished seventh in the 200m final.



Vettel and Webber are one-two in Malaysia

RED Bull brushed off their early season reliability issues to record a superb one-two, with Vettel and Webber respectively, at the Malaysian Grand Prix.

But a one-two start was not converted at a chaotic Chinese Grand Prix which saw Vettel finish in sixth place and Webber seventh.

THE title-winning season ended in heartache for Lightning as their dreams of a double were crushed by Swindon Wildcats.

The Wildcats beat Lightning 10-8 on aggregate in the English Premier League Ice Hockey play-off semi-finals.

A NEW cricket season began with New Bradwell setting the early pace thanks to the eight wicket thrashing of Aspley Guise.

MAY

A GOALLESS draw with Brighton and Hove Albion added to defeat at Walsall on the final day of the season meant MK Dons ended the 2009/10 season without a win

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JULY

A CONTROVERSIAL incident that would later be known as 'Wing-gate' marred Red Bull's British Grand Prix.

Mark Webber hit out at the team for using two new spec front wings on Sebastian Vettel's car at Silverstone, and declared his victory as 'not bad for a number two driver'.

Vettel meanwhile had a miserable Grand Prix as a collision and a puncture saw him go from leader to a seventh place finish.

The incident drew unwanted spotlight on the team and raised questions of favouritism in the Red Bull Racing garage.

MK Dons returned to training at Woughton on the Green and Didi Hamann admitted he had only ever seen the Walsall stadium, where the Dons were to start their new season, from the M6.

DONS beat St Neots, Kettering Town, Aylesbury and Rushden & Diamonds in their pre-season fixtures. The side also entertained Premier League outfit West Ham United but goals from Carlton Cole and Julien Faubert saw the Dons lose their unbeaten pre-season record.

YOUNG Dons forward Darren Powell was told by boss Karl Robinson he would be sent on loan for the early part of the season in order to better his chances of nailing down a first team spot later in the year.

DESPITE poor form Craig Pickering was named in the Great Britain and

Northern Ireland team for the European Championships which took place in August. Long jumper Greg Rutherford was also selected.

GOLFER Ian Poulter endured a frustrating Open Championship as he headed home with a fourth round of 71 – one under par. The Woburn professional ended three over par to bow out of the 150th Open, which was won by South African Louis Oosthuizen.

MK Lightning captured the signature of the popular player Gary Clarke.

After a season away at Guildford Flames Clarke was reunited with coach Nick Poole.

AUGUST

MK Lions' future in the city was cast in doubt after their plans to stay at the centre:mk fell through.

THE new football season began with an away win at Walsall, days after the Dons' pre-season preparations ended with defeat to Birmingham, but management quickly got tougher for Karl Robinson as the team crashed to a 4-1 defeat at Carlisle.

Dons had their match against Southampton postponed and ended the month with a 2-1 win at home to Swindon.

A GLORIOUS night at stadiummk saw the Dons edge out Blackpool in a seven-goal thriller during the Carling Cup second round game that went to extra-time. Dons beat Dagenham and Redbridge in the first round.



MK Bucks were crowned BBF National Single-A Champions with a 10-3 win over the Guildford Mavericks at the championships in Hemel Hempstead

RACING driver Chris van der Drift cheated death as he came away from a 150mph crash with multiple broken bones.

The Superleague Formula ace dismissed the crash as 'nothing more than an accident'.

IAN Poulter was forced to withdraw midway through the USPGA Championship because of illness.

MARK Webber celebrated his 150th Grand Prix with victory in Hungary while Sebastian Vettel took third place.

Vettel continued to slip away in the title fight as an incident-ridden race in Belgium, won by Webber, left him 31 points behind championship leader Lewis Hamilton.

RUNNER Craig Pickering was part of Great Britain's men's 4x100m team at the European Championships. They failed to reach the final after a disastrous exchange of the baton between Marlon Devonish and Mark Lewis-Francis.

Greg Rutherford withdrew from the competition due to injury.

THE strengthening of the roster at MK Lightning continued as Ross Bowers, Michael Wales and Andre Smulter all signed up for the 2010/11 ice hockey season.

SEPTEMBER

KARL Robinson revealed the Dons turned down a deadline day bid for striker Jermaine Easter from Championship side Crystal Palace.

MK Bucks were crowned British Baseball Federation National Single-A Champions.

THE Lions put in offers for two venues in the city as their search for a new home continued. They later confirmed a warehouse in Winterhill would become their new den for three years. Captain Dru Spinks left the club after 12 years. Their season started with a defeat in the BBL Trophy to Leicester Riders.

STADIUMMK continued to be a fortress for MK Dons as they beat Hartlepool and Southampton – for the first time in their history – and drew with Rochdale.

They still suffered poor form on the road losing to Brighton and Hove Albion, Peterborough and Charlton.

A FOUR-MINUTE spell at St Andrews – which saw Birmingham City score three goals – resulted in the Dons being knocked out of the Carling Cup in the third round. Aaron Wilbraham made a goal-scoring return to the side.

MARK Webber became the man to beat in Formula One as he climbed back to the top of the standings despite finishing sixth in the Italian Grand Prix and third in the Singapore race. Teammate Vettel's fourth place finish in Italy and second in Singapore helped him claw his way back in the title fight.

LIGHTNING'S title defence began with a defeat to Manchester Phoenix, but they bounced back to thrash Bracknell Bees 7-2.

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OCTOBER

IAN Poulter was part of the European side to retain the Ryder Cup with a superb win over the USA. Woburn golf professional Poulter

was one of four European players who won their singles matches to help the side to a spectacular success at Celtic Manor.

CHARLTON knocked MK Dons out of the Johnstone's Paint Trophy second round, but they picked up points in the league as they drew with Colchester United and beat Dagenham & Redbridge and Exeter City.

JERMAINE Easter's goalscoring drought continued as he missed a penalty in the 2-0 win against Dagenham & Redbridge.

EDDIE Howe came out on top in the battle of the Football League's youngest managers as Bournemouth beat the Dons at Dean Court.

JEMAL Johnson returned from his loan spell at Port Vale. The winger's Dons career was thought to be over when he was banished to America in the summer.

NATHAN Robertson had the honour of being flag bearer for England in the Commonwealth Games. England's badminton contingent returned home with one mixed team event bronze medal.

FOOTBALL pundit Chris Kamara trained with MK Lightning as part of a sketch for Saturday morning show SoccerAM. Meanwhile, the ice hockey team's inconsistent start to the season continued as they beat Sheffield Steeldogs.

GREG Rutherford produced a season's best leap in the long jump final

to grab a silver medal in the Commonwealth Games.

PLANET Ice saw Lightning return to their best as they beat Bracknell Bees, Swindon Wildcats and Telford Tigers only to then be well beaten by Guildford Flames and Peterborough Phantoms.

SEBASTIAN Vettel re-ignited his challenge for the F1 title with victory in the Japanese Grand Prix to move 14 points behind teammate, and championship leader, Mark Webber. Webber then crashed out of the Korean Grand Prix and a technical failure forced Vettel to retire to blow the championship race wide open.

LIONS ended Mersey Tigers' unbeaten start to the season to finally kick start their own campaign. But in the BBL Cup Lions suffered a narrow defeat at the hands of Plymouth Raiders.

DONS ended the month with a 4-2 defeat at Tranmere Rovers.

NOVEMBER

RED Bull Racing claimed their maiden Constructors' Championship following a one-two finish in Brazil, led by Sebastian Vettel. The result set up a thrilling Formula One season finale in Abu Dhabi where four drivers were in with a shout of the Drivers' title.

AND in Abu Dhabi a Vettel victory, coupled with Fernando Alonso and Mark Webber's seventh and eighth place finishes, saw him crowned the youngest ever F1 champion.

The 23-year-old lifted the title -

Red Bull's first Drivers' Championship - and returned to the team's MK base three days later to celebrate his and the team's success.

PETER Leven's late penalty rescued three points for the Dons at home to Yeovil Town - it left the team two points adrift of the play-offs in ninth spot.

A POTENTIAL FA Cup second round meeting between AFC Wimbledon and MK Dons fell through when the Dons lost to Stevenage in a penalty shoot-out in the first round replay.

DONS did manage their first away win since the start of the season when they took three points from Brentford.

MK Lions moved in to their Winterhill home at the end of the month and christened it with a victory.

THE return of Lewis Christie and Monir Kalgoum coincided with a four points for MK Lightning with wins over Peterborough Phantoms and Telford Tigers. Lightning went on to beat Basingstoke Bison twice in one weekend as well as Sheffield Steeldogs, Guildford Flames and Bracknell Bees, but were also beaten by Slough Jets.

DONS suffered back-to-back 4-1 defeats by Sheffield Wednesday and Huddersfield Town which meant they fell to 12th in League One.

JERMAINE Easter joined Swansea City on loan and stated he wanted to make it permanent.

DECEMBER

DONS chairman Pete Winkelman confirmed to MK NEWS he will complete stadiummk by 2012.

Fears that England's unsuccessful 2018 World Cup bid would delay completion of the stadium even further were dismissed by Winkelman who insisted the plan remained to make the venue a 32,000 seater.

THE weather played havoc with sporting fixtures throughout the month with football, rugby, basketball and even ice hockey falling victim to freezing conditions.

NOTTS County handed the Dons a third straight defeat with Thomas Ince, son of former Dons boss and currently County manager Paul, on target as was Lee Hughes.

It was the first time Ince had come up against his old assistant Robinson.

THE one trophy missing from MK Lightning's cabinet once again evaded them as Slough Jets beat them 3-2 in the EPL Cup quarter-final.

BADMINTON had its funding cut in the UK Sport's annual investment review due to its current 'performance profile'.

IAN Poulter and his Ryder Cup team mates were named BBC Sports Personality Team of the Year.

THE second game to be held at Winterhill proved a disappointing one for Lions fans as their team were beaten by Cheshire Jets.

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Willen Hospice chief executive Paul Hinson releases one of 30 doves over Willen Lake on Saturday

Release of doves marks hospice's 30th birthday

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WILLEN Hospice has released 30 doves to celebrate its anniversary last weekend.

Saturday's event, alongside a remembrance service, marked the 30 years which the hospice has supported the terminally ill and in doing so provided comfort for their family and friends.

The charity's chief executive, Paul Hinson, said: "Our 30th anniversary is a pertinent time to reflect on the kindness we have received, that has enabled us to remain an essential service to the people of Milton Keynes and the surrounding areas.

"Our vision is to be the lasting and thriving provider of free care to all people affected by life limiting illness in our community.

"We have used this milestone to develop a modernised logo, strapline and vision for the future as well as our 'Yes' cam-

paign that we hope will get everyone involved in our forward thinking charity to ensure we can continue to deliver our care."

Willen Hospice was first conceived at a symposium in Bletchley in February 1974 to discuss the future new town of Milton Keynes when Winslow GP, Dr Marjorie Reid, suggested a place to care for the terminally ill.

The hospice admitted its first patient on January 1981 when the charity had only four beds.

It has since developed and expanded. In March 1998 it started a Hospice at Home service, giving patients the option of remaining in the comfort of their own home rather than being cared for at the centre.

As the charity receives just 24 per cent of its funding from the Primary Care Trust, the hospice must generate most of the £4million needed to operate through fundraising.

With this in mind, the hospice opened its first charity shop in Queensway, Bletchley, in December 1988. The charity now has two furniture shops, a book store and seven other outlets.

It also runs several other annual fundraising events such as the MK Midnight Moo, Alternative Ascot, golf days and dinner parties, and in 1980 the Friends of Willen Hospice started up as a separate charity raising money for the hospice.

Over the years the hospice has had celebrity visitors including Jimmy Saville, Eddie the Eagle and Susan Hampshire and in 1986 Diana Princess of Wales visited and spent time with patients.

This year the hospice has plans to host additional fundraising events and the team has created a list of 30 ways to help raise money.

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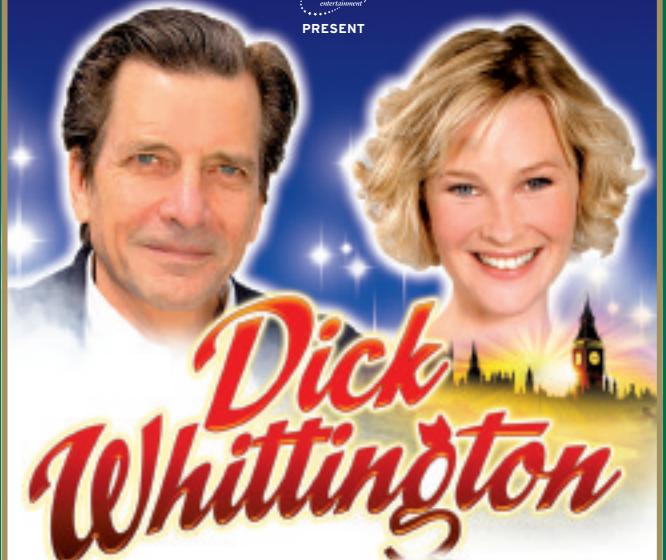
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Firms get a third off to install car charging points

Discount offered in push to build Plugged in Places for electric vehicles across city

BUSINESSES are being offered a discount to encourage them to install charging points for electric vehicles on their premises.

Milton Keynes Council is offering a subsidy of up to £1,500 (up to a third of the cost) to companies towards the cost of buying and installing each charging point.

The subsidy is being offered under the Plugged in Places scheme, and will be run until the end of March.

Milton Keynes is one of three areas, along with London and the north east of England, to successfully bid for government funding under the Plugged in Places initiative, to build a charging network for electric vehicles.

The government has allocated

£230million to encourage the sale of electric vehicles.

As well as the subsidy available to businesses for charge points, all electric vehicles will qualify for a 25 per cent subsidy, up to £5,000.

The costs for running electric cars and vans are less than for conventional vehicles as VAT on electricity is five per cent meaning typical running costs will be around 1.5p to 2.5p per mile.

Last year, Milton Keynes Council signed an agreement with the Renault-Nissan Alliance to ensure early stocks of the Nissan LEAF, due to launch in March, would be available in the city and manufacturers are already taking advance orders for vehicles.

Cllr Vanessa McPake, responsible for transport, said: "The idea of buying, or leasing an electrical vehicle is becoming an increasing reality for people and businesses, and in Milton Keynes we are once again at the forefront of innovative ways of working."

To find out more about the business subsidy, e-mail CMK Parking Change manager Sara Bailey at Sara.Bailey@milton-keynes.gov.uk

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A human 'AV' near the city's railway station shows support for vote change

Support for vote change

DOZENS of people gathered to form a human 'AV' to show their support for a change in the voting system.

The Liberal Democrat-organised event near Milton Keynes railway station aimed to highlight the referendum, due in May, in

which people will have their say as to whether they want the current 'first past the post' election method changed to the 'alternative vote' system.

Organiser Cllr Alan Mallyon said: "I believe people all across Milton Keynes are looking for-

ward to having their say in how they should choose their MPs.

"Regardless of whether Tory, Labour or Lib Dem many are supporting the campaign for fairer votes. This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to get rid of the old system."

Kart track celebrates 20 years in business

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Knife used in cabbie robbery

A CAB driver was robbed in Bletchley on Christmas Eve.

The incident happened at about 6.55pm as the driver dropped the two offenders off at the back of The Park pub in Bletchley.

One of the offenders threatened the driver with a knife while the other stole the victim's mobile phone, two-way radio and cash. The offenders then ran off towards the railway station.

The two offenders are described as black and about 17-years-old.

Police would like to hear from anyone who may have witnessed the robbery or saw two men running away from the area at the time of the offence.

Anyone with any information should contact DC Scott Dempsey on 0845 8 505 505. If you don't want to speak to police or leave your name, call the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.



Bucks firefighters tackle a chimney fire last year

Firefighters deal with fewer chimney blazes

FIREFIGHTERS have praised city home owners after they have bucked the trend by reducing the number of chimney fires, despite an increase in the region.

Buckinghamshire as a whole has seen a more than 20 per cent rise in chimney fires during last month compared to the same period in previous years.

In Milton Keynes however,

the rate has dropped by a third over the same period.

The praise comes as firefighters are warning people to take extra care with open fires as another cold spell is expected.

Community safety manager Terry Ridgley said: "January, February and March are traditionally three of the busiest months for chimney fires. It's really important to have your

chimney swept regularly and to be extra careful when burning wood.

"I would also urge all householders to have working smoke alarms in their homes.

"The figure for Milton Keynes showed a significant drop this year, which is very encouraging.

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Places for People facilities manager John Saunders with the company's haul of four awards for 2010

More awards for Park

NEW development Wolverton Park has scooped two major awards to add to a bumper year of success.

Named as a Gold Award winner for the second year running at the What House? Awards 2010, Wolverton Park has also received the Ian Allan Publishing Award at the National Railway Heritage Awards.

Once home to the Royal Train and steeped in railway history, Wolverton Park is a new development of one, two and three bedroom apartments, duplexes and houses.

The What House? Awards judges said: "The development pays respect to the site's rich historical railway past that helped reinvent the area as a railway town during the industrial revolution."

"Many of the original features of the Royal Train site have been well maintained, including the historical Royal

Train Shed and elements of the Triangular Building and Grand Union Canal. Places for People has cleverly built stylish townhouses into the shell of the original train shed and many original features have been sympathetically incorporated into the new homes."

John Saunders, facilities manager for developers Places for People, said: "We are all thrilled to be presented with a further two awards from such esteemed names within the industry; it has been a fantastically successful year at the development seeing us win four major industry titles."

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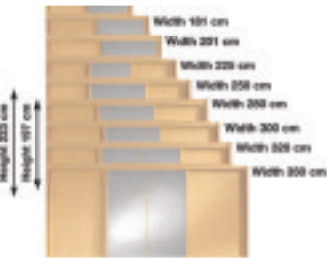


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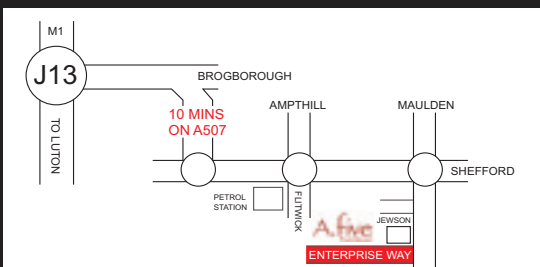


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Council reaches out to unemployed kids

A GROUP of 12 young people aged 16 to 19 received certificates after completing a six week programme run by Connexions:MK, Milton Keynes Council's advice and guidance service.

Known as Reaching Out, the programme is designed to help unemployed youngsters develop their personal and social skills to prepare them for getting back into education, or starting work or training.

This is the sixth time that Connexions has run Reaching Out, with most of the young people taking part in the programme moving from being unemployed to getting a job or training place.

Connexions personal adviser Shirley Darrah said: "Reaching Out's ultimate aim is to help young people move onto the next stage, whether this is further education, training or getting a job."



The latest batch of youngsters receive their Reaching Out certificates from Connexions:MK

"We've achieved this with previous Reaching Out programmes by raising their confidence levels and key skills and offering ongoing contin-

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RSPCA cattery co-ordinator, Vivienne Dalton, said: "There is no benefit to your cat in letting it have a litter of kittens before being spayed."

"Also, spaying a female cat promptly after it has given

birth to a litter is important, as it could otherwise become pregnant again almost immediately.

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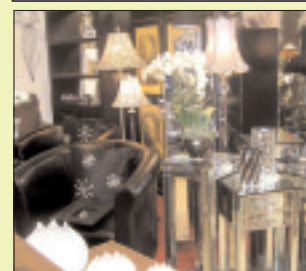
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A QUESTION – what springs to mind when you think about Tunisia?

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The town of Carthage was founded by Princess Elissa-Dido in the 8th century BC and is a storehouse of history.

The former cathedral of Saint Louis, which crowns the hill, is now a cultural centre and the nearby national museum of Carthage holds an impressive collection of Punic statues, steles and urns.

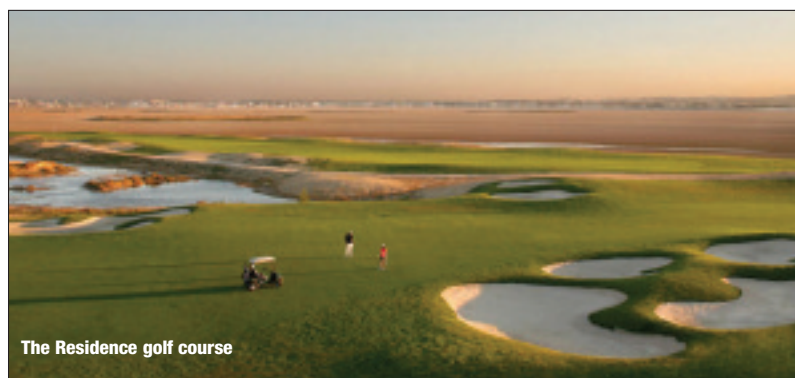
Or, could it be the 1,500 kilometres of sun-drenched beaches that are lapped by the warm Mediterranean Sea?

That's all well and good. But I'm thinking verdant fairways, soft sandy bunkers and tricky undulating greens. I'm thinking golf, so I took a look at what Tunisia has to offer.

Tunisia and golf may be unusual bedfellows – the whole country only boasts just ten golf clubs and only 600 registered players – but this land steeped with ancient history has a vision.

It is hoped that the country's ten clubs will be doubled in their 20-20 vision to attract golfers to their North African shores by the year 2020.

Ambitious maybe, but work is nearly completed on the new Jack Nicklaus designed Tahadi Golf Course at Yasmine Valley Golf Resort and Spa in



The Residence golf course

Hammamet, due to open in October.

The Tahadi Golf Course, the first Nicklaus Design course in Tunisia, will roll up and down the Yasmine Valley and is set to be arguably the best challenging par 68 course in the north of the continent.

On completion, the Nicklaus team will move on to a redesign of the Classic Course at the Valley, which was opened in 1990. The result will bring the Classic in line with modern standards with a par-72, 6,600 metre championship course with breathtaking views over the resort of Hammamet.

Nestled alongside Yasmine Valley is Golf Citrus, comprising of two par-72s, La Foret and Les Oliviers.

I took on the challenge of La Foret, a winding, rolling affair set among a forest of pines interspersed with steep hills and water hazards.

The course layout means

many of the holes are played blind, and designer Ronald Fream frustrates the handicap golfer with a series of bunkers and water traps guarding undulating greens. A true test.

On the Les Oliviers a very different challenge awaits. Wide fairways dotted with olive trees and sand traps with an omnipresent breeze that whips across raised greens guarded by a myriad of bunkers that penalise every bad stroke. Maybe a little easier than La Foret but still not for the faint hearted.

Hammamet has a wide selection of places to stay, The Alhambra Thalasso offers that special luxurious feel and is in easy reach of Yasmine Valley and close to the beach resort.

On the south of the Bay of Hammamet is Sousse, home of one of the country's most beautiful clubs, El Kantaoui, again housing two courses designed by Fream.

The Sea Course offers a chance to shoot a good score as the 6,250 metre par-73 weaves around the golf resort's villas and hotel before heading towards the mediterranean. The wide open fairways are laced with sand but the yardage allows for wayward shots to be recovered.

The Panorama Course does what it says on the tin, at just over 6,000 metres you climb way up into the hills to look down on the bay and white-washed town below.

Again this course is nice and forgiving but cleverly-placed bunkers make the approach shots difficult.

A little further south in Monastir is the Palm Links Golf Club, a seaside course that combines a flat design amid a palm oasis.

Although the fairways are a little sparse they are wide, and the greens are even and true.

With three links-style holes that border on the sea, this course is flat and easy on the legs, but far from pleasant on the eye as the many of the holes are dwarfed by an industrial area.

Heading back to the capital of Tunis you can find the country's oldest club at Golf Carthage, opened in 1927 and renovated in 1991.

It is a small compact course shaded by pine, cypress, palm, olive and orange trees and 100-year-old eucalyptus trees and hidden in the back streets of Tunis itself, it is a handicap golfer's dream.

Speaking of dreaming, when I woke up at The Residence,

20 kilometres from Tunis, I knew I was about to play Tunisia's present pride and joy.

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On saying that, it has a truly European feel about the place as it meanders around the villa development.

Set between the sea and salt lakes it features fantastic view points and links around the edges of 14 lakes. At 6,500 metres, par-72, it's long and tough, the stretch along salt lake line exposes any faults in your game.

It's not one for the high and not so high handicappers, I found this out by the amount of balls I got through.

The Residence is a wonderful place to both stay and play.

With Tunisia being a two-and-a-half hour flight away it is a real alternative to the European golf resorts that normally spring to mind.

So to answer my own question. Yes, Tunisia is a perfect choice to laze on the beach, take in the history, enjoy the sun and also spend time on the fairway.

Andy Handley

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Leighton lass shed five stones at weight-loss class

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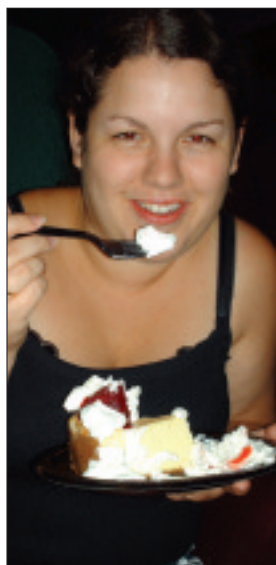
Louise Whitby, 25, from Leighton Buzzard, weighed 16st 7lb and wore dress sizes 20-22, wanted to slim down in time for her wedding in May.

She now weighs 11st 7lb and wears a dress size 12, and to acknowledge her efforts has won the Rosemary Conley Diet & Fitness Magazine Regional Slimmer of the Year 2011 Award.

Louise said: "I didn't want to be a fat bride or an unhealthy mum. "Also I started to think about my health more and with having polycystic ovary syndrome, I knew losing weight would help my condition."

She joined a Rosemary Conley weight-loss class in January 2009, and managed to lose and maintain her weight.

Louise added: "I used to turn to food when I was stressed. Now I have learnt to use exercise to help or I go for a walk.



Above: Louise Whitby before her diet. Right: After with Rosemary Conley

"I'm so happy now, I have my confidence back and more."

Slimming expert Rosemary presented her the award at a ceremony in Quorn, Leicestershire.

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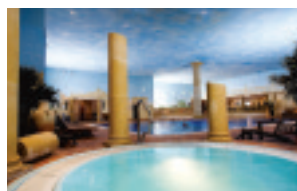
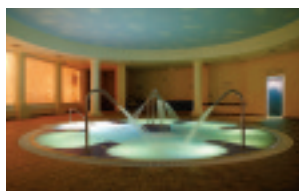
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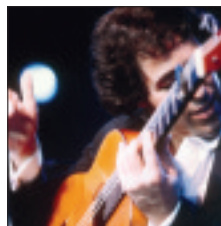
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Sun 16
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JUAN MARTIN FLAMENCO ENSEMBLE

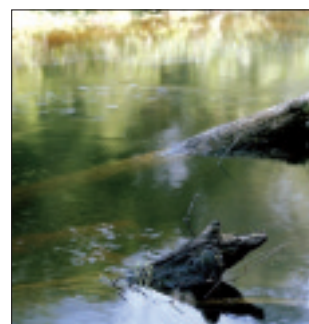
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HOT from merry-making at the Milton Keynes Mayor's Charity Ball the Five Star Swing band swinging in the new year in Sherington.

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Paul Weller's saxophonist, Simone, will be playing and singing Ella Fitzgerald and other famous swing numbers.



CLOUDFISH

Friday, January 14, 8pm
CLOUDFISH are Steve Norman, a founder member of Spandau Ballet, and Shelley Preston of Bucks Fizz, two of the most successful and well known pop groups of the 80s. Originally, Cloudfish was production and song-writing duo Steve Norman and Rafa Peletey, based in Ibiza. In 2002, Shelley was invited to work on one of their songs and to provide the vocals. From this point on Cloudfish became a band with Steve, Shelley and Rafa writing and producing their own songs. In 2003, Rafa left to front his own band. Steve and Shelley continued writing and producing their particular brand of funky lounge music which was influenced by their time spent in Ibiza.
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Through his own footage and research, Byrne questions the ways in which images are constructed, transmitted and mediated and asks: is it possible to capture an image of something that does not exist?

Drawing on his accumulated archive of Loch Ness Monster related photographs, film and audio footage, Byrne draws direct parallels between one of the world's most enduring modern myths and the rise of commercial mass media.



Tickets £10 from Brown & Merry Estate Agents, High St, Newport Pagnell or telephone 01582 766801 or online at www.fivestarswing.co.uk.

MKLIFE MUSIC REVIEW OF THE YEAR

SIMON DARNELL

Taking a look at 2010's new releases, re-releases and in some cases should never have been released releases

JANUARY

A BIT quiet, but Januarys usually are.

Joe McElderry finally reached the Number One spot after being FORCED to spend a week ONLY at No 2. It was a disgraceful thing to happen to him, poor lad. Actually, no & I can't keep up the charade, I thought it was brilliant that Rage Against The Machine beat him to the Christmas Number One.

Yes, Killing In The Name plummeted out of the chart after only three weeks in the Top 75, but it was after a good job well done.

On the other hand, Glee arrived on these shores. And Owl City. Actually, January was a bit rubbish, wasn't it?

FEBRUARY

JEDWARD released Under Pressure (Ice Ice Baby). That's a lot for a month to recover from, but somehow February managed to at least break even thanks largely to Massive Attack's wonderful Splitting The Atom and the Courteeners' You Overdid It Doll.

Well, it did up until the point that Daisy Dares You's Number One Enemy was released. Oh well.

MARCH

LIARS released Sisterworld and We Are Scientists brought out Rules Don't Stop.

They were both great and if you haven't heard them yet, go on, treat yourself.

Scouting For Girls also came back, but let's not dwell on that.

APRIL

APRIL is all about two things. The Chemical Brothers' Escape Velocity was twelve minutes of lovingly-crafted excellence condensed into an MP3.

Crystal Castles' second self-titled album was a wonderful, shambolic, beautiful, terrifying mess.

Both really should be in your music collection.

Diana Vickers and Kate Nash also cropped up, albeit to varying degrees of bemusement.

MAY

FAITHLESS decided to release their brand new album to the world, provided the world was prepared to go to Tesco in order to buy it.

Tina Turner's The Best somehow re-entered the chart at No 9, proving that there is a downside to allowing downloads into the

Top 40, but then on the other end of the scale Leeds United managed to reach the Top 10 and all they'd done was get promoted to the Championship. Usually you have to reach a cup final to achieve that.

Oh yes, nearly forgot, we finished last at the Eurovision Song Contest and quite frankly, we were lucky to even manage that, so awful was our entry.

JUNE

KYLIE Minogue released All The Lovers (a statement which, without capital letters, somewhat overstates Kylie's abilities), a song that sounded better as a badly recorded radio rip than it did in real life, while Dizzee Rascal and James Corden contrived to make a World Cup song that was actually far better than it had any right to be. I know, I couldn't believe it either.

MIA released the surprisingly largely ignored XXXO and now I've reminded you of it, you'll go and seek it out, won't you? Go on, you know you want to.

JULY

NEWPORT State Of Mind hit the Internet, but because it was incredibly heavily inspired by Jay-Z's Empire State Of Mind it was soon removed.

That said, if you search for it you can still find it; it's well worth the effort because it's both brilliantly done and hilarious.

In other news, 3OH!3 reached the Top 10 with My First Kiss, although to this day I'm not entirely sure how or why, and Crystal Castles failed to even reach the Top 100 with Baptism – again, the same questions apply here.

One other thing – the Hoosiers actually released a good single. Not only that, Choices was actually amazingly good.

AUGUST

AUGUST wasn't a bad month, really.

Yes, Justin Bieber released something, but Underworld offset it with Always Loved A Film and Arcade Fire's We Used To Wait not only had a great tune, it had a stunning video to go with it. It actually stars the town you grew up in. Yes, yours specifically. It's a little difficult to explain.

SEPTEMBER

THE Xx won the Mercury Music Prize, Christina Aguilera released You Lost Me and proved not only did she still have 'it', whatever 'it' was, but also that she didn't have to wait her guts out in order to create a damned good song, the Wombats released

their best single in some time, Robbie and Gary engaged in some mutual back-slapping and the Kings of Leon nearly brought out a decent single, but didn't. Such is life.

OCTOBER

AFTER the unfunny joke that was The Climb, Joe McElderry released his first single proper, and Ambitions actually turned out to be pretty good.

Naturally, it bombed. As if to prove that even bands I never previously 'got' were capable of producing great tunes, My Chemical Romance then turned up with Na (repeat x12). That bombed as well.

October was shaping up to be a rubbish month, but then there was Nadine Coyle's Insatiable.

That bombed so badly it left a crater behind and suddenly October had redeemed itself.

NOVEMBER

CHERYL Cole's Promise This. It was nonsense then and it's nonsense now.

Two minutes of silence reached the Top 20 in time for Remembrance Sunday, which was a great idea, but in the meantime a Facebook campaign to get the 'original' silent song to No1 for Christmas was taking shape.

Finally, my dad's been the proud owner of a large quantity of Beatles tracks since the 1960s (like a few other people from that decade), but Apple came along 40 years after everybody else and they expect everyone to get excited?

I suppose next year they'll discover colour television.

Can't wait.

DECEMBER

A 'BRAND new' Michael Jackson single went into the charts, although whether or not the end result sounded anything like he intended is something we could debate until the cows come home, which is a stupid turn of phrase when you think about it.

Matt Cardle won The X-Factor, and that brings us up to date. I might as well sign off by telling you my favourites of the year, so here they are.

The Hoosiers' Choices only just became my favourite single (it was a VERY close run thing this year), but Crystal Castles' Crystal Castles 2 was hands down the best album.

Right then, that's your lot for 2010, next stop 2011. Happy New Year!

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THE NEXT THREE DAYS (12A)

Russell Crowe, Elizabeth Banks, Liam Neeson

From Friday
THE idyllic family life of John Brennan (Crowe) is shattered when his wife Lara (Banks) is arrested for murder and sentenced to 20 years in prison. John, a professor of English at a community college, is convinced of her innocence. While he desperately holds his family together, he pursues every means available to prove she didn't commit murder.

THE KING'S SPEECH, 12A

Colin Firth, Helena Bonham Carter, Geoffrey Rush, Guy Pearce

From Friday
IT'S 1936, and when Edward VIII threatens to abdicate from the British throne, his younger brother Bertie (Firth) knows he must overcome his stammer to rule the country. The crisis caused by the plans of Edward VIII (Pearce) to marry American divorcee Wallis Simpson threatens disaster for the country, but Bertie has his own problems to face.

127 HOURS (15)

James Franco, Amber Tamblyn, Kate Mara, Treat Williams

From Friday
A FILM about human courage, based on the gruelling true story of Aron Ralston (Franco). Aron is a lone mountain climber whose hand becomes trapped under a boulder in the blazing sun of the beautiful but remote Utah desert.

IT'S A KIND OF FUNNY STORY (12A)

Keir Gilchrist, Emma Roberts, Zach Galifianakis, Lauren Graham



Elizabeth Banks and Russell Crowe star in *The Next Three Days*

Photo: Phil Caruso

From Friday
CRAIG Gilner (Gilchrist) is depressed. It's 5am and he's admitting himself to the psychiatric ward of the Argenton Hospital because he's struggling with the pressures of being a teenager. But as it turns out, the youth ward is temporarily closed, so he finds himself stuck in the adult ward.

NO ONE KILLED JESSICA (15)

Rani Mukherjee, Vidya Balan

From Friday
JESSICA is a young, attractive model making ends meet by bartending at a celebrity party when she is shot dead. The reason? She refused to serve a man a drink after hours. The

culprit, Manish is a rich politician's son and is hauled off for questioning.

SEASON OF THE WITCH

Ron Perlman, Nicolas Cage, Stephen Graham, Claire Foy

From Friday
HIS faith broken by years of battle as a Crusader, Behmen (Cage) returns to central Europe to find his homeland decimated by the plague. While searching for food and supplies at the Palace at Marburg, Behmen and his trusted companion Felson (Ron Perlman) are apprehended and ordered by a dying Cardinal to deliver a young peasant girl (Foy) to a remote abbey.

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Ben Stiller, Robert De Niro, Owen Wilson

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Tomato, Cheese, Tuna, Prawns, Anchovies, Chicken, Beef, Sausage, Bacon, Pineapple, Ham, Salami, Pepperoni, Chicken Tikka, Olives, Mushrooms, Corn, Onions, Pepper, Garlic, Jalapeno, BBQ Sauces	REGULAR OR TRADITIONAL	REGULAR OR TRADITIONAL	REGULAR OR TRADITIONAL
CHEESE & TOMATO BAS plus ANY 2 DIFFERENT TOPPINGS	9.50	10.50	15.00
CHEESE & TOMATO BAS plus ANY 4 DIFFERENT TOPPINGS	9.80	11.00	16.00
CHEESE & TOMATO BAS plus ANY 8 DIFFERENT TOPPINGS	10.30	12.00	17.00

DESSERTS

Cheesecake	1.50
Gateaux	1.50
Ice Cream Ben & Jerry's ask for flavours	3.95
Chocolate Fudge Cake	1.50

DRINKS

Coke/Diet Coke Pepsi Orange Fanta	1.95
Coke/Orange/Lemonade cans	0.60

MEAL DEALS

Chicken Burger & Chips	3.95
1/2 Pound Beefburger & Chips	3.95
2 Pieces Chicken & Chips	3.50
3 Pieces Chicken & Chips	4.50
4 Pieces Chicken & Chips	5.50
Extra Piece of Chicken	1.00
Steak (8oz Sirloin) with Chips, Mushrooms & Salad	9.00
Large Doner Kebab	4.50
Small Doner Kebab	3.50

PIZZA MENU

STEP 01: CHOOSE YOUR PIZZA BASE	9"	12"	15"
* REGULAR BASE (Our Famous Original Crust)	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
* STUFFED CRUST (Add £1.50 per pizza 9" & 12" only)	£11.30	£12.50	£14.50
* CHICAGO DEEP-PAN (American style deep crust)	£11.30	£12.50	£14.50
STEP 02: SELECT YOUR PIZZA TASTE	9"	12"	15"
1. PAPA LUIGI SPECIAL Tomato, Cheese, Ham, Mushroom, Salami, Peppers, Olives, Anchovies	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
2. HOT 'N' SPICY Tomato, Cheese, Salami, Peppers, Jalapenos, Garlic	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
3. VEGI SPECIAL Tomato, Cheese, Peppers, Corn, Mushrooms, Pineapple, Olives, Onion	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
4. PESCATORE Tomato, Cheese, Tuna, Prawns, Anchovies	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
5. BBQ BONANZA Cheese, BBQ Sauce, Red Onions, Spicy Beef, Sausage	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
6. TEXAN BBQ BBQ Sauce, Cheese, Onion, Peppers, BBQ Chicken, Bacon	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
7. PEPPERONI FEAST Double Mozzarella, Double Pepperoni	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
8. MILANSE Tomato, Cheese, Ham, Mushrooms	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
9. HAWAIIAN Tomato, Cheese, Ham, Pineapple	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
10. MIGHTY MEATY Tomato, Cheese, Salami, Beef, Chicken, Ham, Bacon, Sausage	£10.30	£12.00	£14.00
11. CHICKEN TIKKA MASALA Tomato, Cheese, Chicken Tikka, Onion, Peppers	£10.30	£12.00	£14.00
12. NEW YORKER Tomato, Onion & Green Peppers, Cheese, Salami, Beef, Chicken, Ham, Bacon, Sausage	£10.30	£12.00	£14.00
13. MEAT LOVERS Tomato, Cheese, Double Salami, Double Pepperoni, Double Ham, Double Beef	£12.00	£14.00	£16.00

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Pizza

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MARGHERITA (V) Cheese & Tomato	£9.30	£10.30	£11.50
FUNGHI Cheese & Tomato + mushrooms	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
SALAMI Cheese & Tomato + salami	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
MARINARO Cheese & Tomato + tuna, prawns, anchovies	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
CAPRES Cheese & Tomato + salami, mushrooms	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
PAZZA Cheese & Tomato + salami, ham	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
MILANO Cheese & Tomato + ham, mushrooms	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
HAWAIIAN Cheese & Tomato + ham, pineapple	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
POLLO Cheese & Tomato + chicken, mushrooms	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
TEXAS Cheese & Tomato + beef, bacon	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
DIXIE Cheese & Tomato + ham, bacon	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
BOSTON Cheese & Tomato + salami, sausage	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
L.A. Cheese & Tomato + ham, beef	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
GEORGIA Cheese & Tomato + beef, onions, pepper	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
MIAMI (V) Cheese & Tomato + corn, mushrooms, peppers, onions	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
BBQ BONANZA Cheese & Tomato + BBQ sauce, red onion, spicy beef, sausage	£9.30	£10.50	£11.80
PEPPERONI FEAST Cheese & Tomato + double mozzarella, double pepperoni	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00
PICANTE Cheese & Tomato + salami, peppers, garlic, chilli	£9.80	£11.00	£13.00

NEW GARLIC BREAD PIZZA
9" £3.95
12" £4.95

STUFFED CRUST 9" £1.50 per pizza 12" £1.50 per pizza 15" £2.00 per pizza

DIAL A PIZZA

ALL WEEK DEAL	FAMILY DEAL
Any pizza + choice of side order 1-9 on main menu + 1.5 ltr bottle of coke	Any 2 pizzas + garlic bread pizza + choice of side order 1-9 on main menu
MEDIUM 12" TRADITIONAL PIZZA £10.95	2 x 9" SMALL £16.95
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DIAL A PIZZA SPECIAL

CHICKEN & Tomato + 8 toppings of your choice	9"	12"	15"
CHICKEN TIKKA MASSALA Chicken & Tomato + chicken tikka, onions, peppers	£10.30	£12.00	£14.30
TEXAN BBQ Chicken & Tomato + BBQ sauce, onion, peppers, BBQ chicken, bacon	£10.30	£12.00	£14.30
DALLAS Chicken & Tomato + ham, salami, chicken, beef, bacon, sausage	£10.30	£12.00	£14.30
MEAT LOVERS Chicken & Tomato + double salami, double pepperoni, double ham, & double beef	£12.00	£14.00	£16.00
CALZONE Chicken & Tomato + ham, salami, mushrooms	£9.80	£11.20	N/A

SIDE ORDERS

1. Garlic Bread (4 pcs)	£1.50
2. Garlic Bread (4 pcs) with cheese	£2.50
3. French Fries	£1.20
4. Prawn Cocktail	£2.70
5. Potato Wedges	£2.00
6. Mixed Salad	£1.50
7. Coleslaw	£1.40
8. Garlic Mushrooms	£1.70
9. Onion Rings (10 pcs)	£2.00
BBQ Spare Pork Ribs	£4.50
2 Potato Skins + BBQ dip filled with mozzarella	£3.00

SF CHICKEN, Kebabs, Burgers

Chicken Combo (6 pcs) potato wedges + 3 dips	£4.90
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Choice of dips - garlic, herb, BBQ, sweet chilli, sour cream and chives	£0.35
BBQ chicken wings (6 pcs) + 1 dip	£3.50
Hot chicken wings (6 pcs) + 1 dip	£3.50
Chicken Burger with mayonnaise, salad, french fries	£3.95
Southern Fried Chicken (2 pcs) with french fries	£3.50
Southern Fried Chicken (3 pcs) with french fries	£4.50
Southern Fried Chicken (4 pcs) with french fries	£5.50
Steak meal with button mushrooms, french fries, salad	£9.00
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THIS spacious circa 17th century five bedroom detached family cottage, offers a wealth of character features.

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The property boasts a triple garage set on a 0.43 of an acre plot with an extensive rear garden offering the possibility of further extension or building separate accommodation (subject to planning permission).

The property comprises: entrance reception hall, cloakroom/WC, living room, dining room, study, kitchen/breakfast room, utility, bath-

room, five bedrooms, ensuite to master bedroom, rear lobby/boot room.

Outside are a triple garage, front, rear and side gardens with a substantial rear garden plot extending to 0.43 of an acre.

Price £695,000

Early viewing is advisable through the vendors' Estate Agents, Black & White 01908 550660

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Walnut Tree

£465,000



- This recently built 4 bedroom detached property is situated in an attractive cul-de-sac.
- The property boasts a lounge with feature fireplace, study, kitchen, dining room, utility and wc.
- Four double bedrooms with 2 en suites a family bathroom and generous dressing room to the master.
- Ample parking in the double garage style car port.
- Mature and private gardens to the rear.

Oxley Park

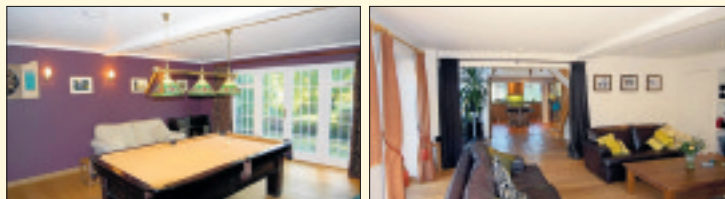
£425,000



- This immaculately presented detached property is situated overlooking the 'North Bucks Way'.
- This property boasts a 21' lounge, a 22' kitchen/breakfast room, 15' conservatory, dining room/study, utility room and cloakroom.
- Four double bedrooms, two with ensuite facilities and all with built in wardrobes.
- Ample private parking behind a wooden gated entrance and gardens to front and rear.
- Offered with no upper chain.

Leckhampstead

OIEO £700,000



- Set within a picture perfect country location The Old School offers bespoke country living with high specification modern conveniences of the highest order.
- This beautiful home boasts approximately 4000 sq ft of accommodation and stunning private southerly facing gardens. Internally this property offers underfloor heating to both floors, integrated ceiling speaker system, 3 en-suites, an external office and many more luxuries. Sitting room • Drawing room • Kitchen/family/dining area • Games room • Utility and w/c • Gallered landings leading to 3 en-suite bedrooms • 2 further bedrooms and a family bathroom.

Hartwell

£425,000



- A beautiful Grade II listed thatched cottage on a generous plot in Hartwell
- This property has been thoroughly renovated to a high standard mindful of keeping the character and charm of the cottage in tact
- Lounge, dining room, kitchen/family room, utility, pantry and cloakroom
- Three bedrooms, en suite to master and family bathroom
- Detached double garage also boasts a workshop to the rear and the gardens are private and overlook open countryside.

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Downhead Park

£495,000



This significantly modernised four bedroom detached property is situated on a generous plot.

- The property boasts a 34ft kitchen/breakfast/dining room complete with granite surfaces, large central island and breakfast bar • Lounge, study and modern bathrooms. • Four bedrooms with an en suite and family bathroom • Mature gardens to the side and rear which offers a high degree of privacy and ample parking in front of the detached double garage.

Broughton

£449,995



- Five Bedroom
- Spacious Detached Residence
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Separate Receptions
- Three En Suites
- Ample Off Road Parking
- Rear Garden
- Viewing Recommended

Broughton

£525,000



- Contemporary Built
- Executive Residence
- Three Storeys
- Six Bedrooms
- Two En Suites
- Conservatory
- Garage and Garage
- No Upper Chain

Monkston Park

OIEO £490,000



- Five Bedrooms
- Detached Property
- 20ft Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Utility Room
- Study & Cloakroom
- Two En suites
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Detached Double Garage

Heelands

£475,000



- Five bedroom
- Detached property
- Scandinavian design
- Re-fitted kitchen/breakfast room
- Three reception rooms
- En suite to master bedrooms
- Gardens to front and rear
- Double garage

Walnut Tree

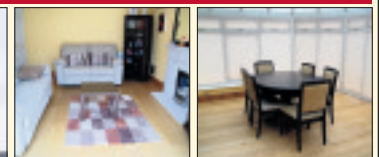
£350,000



- Four Bedroom Detached
- Sought After Location
- Utility & Cloakroom
- Four Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Ample Off Road Parking
- Detached Double Garage

Kingsmead

£450,000



- Beautifully Presented
- Five Double Bedroom
- Executive Detached
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Blast/Family Room
- Three En Suites Facilities
- Double Garage
- No Upper Chain

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- One Bedroom Apartment
- Kitchen
- Lounge
- Bathroom
- No Upper Chain
- Viewing Recommended

Campbell Park £114,950



- 2 Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- No Upper Chain

Great Holm £299,950



- Four Bedroom
- Split Level Detached
- En Suite to Master
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Parking & Garage
- No Upper Chain

Downhead Park OIEO £235,000



- Four Bedroom
- Detached Property
- Extended Lounge & Conservatory
- Refitted Family Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Loughton £299,995



- Semi Detached Cottage
- Built Circa 1907
- Boasting Many Original Features
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Gardens & Parking

Furztown £156,995



- Four Bedroom
- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Double Glazing
- Utility Room
- Off Road Parking
- Rear Garden

Milton Keynes OIEO £150,000



- Much Improved & Extended
- Three Bedroom Bungalow
- En Suite to Master
- Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Aspley Guise £179,995



- Semi Detached
- Character Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Original Features

Walnut Tree £190,000



- Extremely Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- Link Detached
- Kitchen/Diner
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage

Browns Wood £126,995



- Two Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Lounge/Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Allocated Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Blakelands £324,995



- Four/Five Bedroom
- Detached Property
- Sought After Location
- Refitted Kitchen
- Separate Reception
- Two En Suites
- Office/Gym • Garden

Emerson Valley £234,995



- Much Improved & Extended
- Three Bedroom Detached
- Three Reception Rooms
- En Suite to Master
- Gardens & Garage

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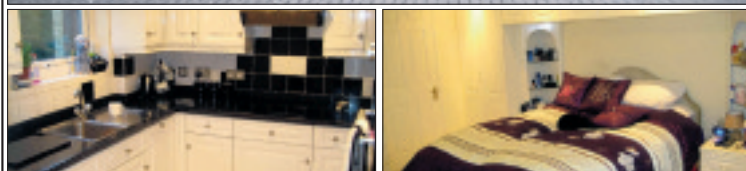
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Crownhill

OIEO £230,000



- Detached Home • Cul de Sac Location
- Three Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

Monkston

Guide Price £295,000



- Cul de Sac Location • Four Bedroom
- Detached Property
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Parking & Garage

Conniburrow Guide Price £75,000



- Two Bedroom Property
- Over 55's Only
- Cloakroom
- Driveway & Garage
- Communal Gardens
- No Upper Chain

Monkston Park Offers Over £155,000



- Two Double Bedroom
- Top Floor Apartment
- Double Glazing
- Gas to Radiator Heating
- Open Plan Lounge/Kitchen/Diner
- Refitted Kitchen

Woughton on the Green £275,000



- Two Bedroom Apartment
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- En Suite to Master
- Private Communal Gardens
- Allocated Parking

Monkston Park £275,000



- Detached Property
- Four Bedroom
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway with Garage
- Viewing Recommended

Neath Hill Guide Price £169,995



- Three Bedroom
- Detached Property
- Cul de Sac Location
- Conservatory
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Parking & Garage

Statonbury £139,995



- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Double Glazing
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Single Garage

Broughton £195,000



- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom Property
- Cloakroom
- En Suite to Master
- Rear Garden
- Garage

Broughton £235,000



- Extremely Well Presented
- Three Storey Home
- Four Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Off Road Parking



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Wolverton £174,995

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Well Presented
- Three Bedroom
- Victorian Terrace
- Gas Radiator Heating
- Double Glazing (where specified)
- Viewing Recommended

Wolverton £150,000

NEW INSTRUCTION

- Terraced House
- Two/Three Bedrooms
- Two/Three Reception Rooms
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room
- Utility Area
- Garden

Two Mile Ash £105,000

- First Floor Maisonette
- Lounge
- Bedroom with walk in wardrobe
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Allocated parking

Fullers Slade £69,995

- Mid Terrace
- Two Bedrooms
- Garden
- Off Road Parking

Wolverton Mill £56,000

- Two Bedrooms
- Ground Floor Apartment
- Family Bathroom
- Kitchen
- Lounge/Dining Room

Hodge Lea £169,500

- Very Well Presented
- End of Terrace
- Four Bedrooms
- Gas Central Heating
- Double Glazing
- Rear Garden
- Allocated Parking
- Viewing Recommended

Stony Stratford £165,000

- Extended semi detached
- Three bedrooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Kitchen/diner
- Lounge and family room
- Gardens to front and rear

Fullers Slade £220,000

- Five Bedroom
- Spacious Detached Property
- Double Glazing
- Two Reception Rooms
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Garage

Bancroft Park OIEO £215,000

- Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Lounge
- Shower Room
- Ensuite Bathroom
- Bathroom
- Front & Rear Garden

Bradville £265,000

- Well Presented Detached
- Five Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Gardens
- Views Of Grand Union Canal
- Vendor Contribution To Stamp Duty

Old Stratford Guide £220,000

- Three Bedroom
- Semi Detached
- Bungalow
- Conservatory
- Garage
- Gardens
- No Upper Chain

Deanshanger £250,000

- Well presented
- Four bedroom home
- Double glazing
- Conservatory
- En suite to master
- Viewing recommended

Haversham Guide £225,000

- Semi-detached
- Three bedrooms
- Kitchen/dining room
- Utility
- Shower room
- Refitted kitchen
- Garden

New Bradwell £119,950

- End of terrace home
- Four bedrooms
- Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Gardens to front and rear
- No upper chain

Deanshanger Guide £149,000

- Refurbished Victorian style property
- Two bedrooms
- Re-fitted bathroom
- Re-fitted kitchen
- Lounge/diner
- Rear garden

Deanshanger Offers Over £165,000

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Extended Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Garage
- Garden



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- Well Presented
- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating

Scotts Estate £140,000



- Mid Terraced Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Garage
- Viewing Recommended

Bletchley £116,995



- Well Presented
- One Double Bedroom
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Allocated Parking
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley £169,995



- Semi Detached Property
- Corner Plot
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley Guide Price £108,500



- Well Presented and Spacious
- Ground Floor Flat
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Communal Area
- Viewing Recommended

Bletchley Guide Price £210,000



- Semi detached house
- Three double bedrooms
- Separate reception rooms
- Downstairs cloakroom
- Gardens to front and rear
- Off road parking

Trees Estate Guide Price £189,995



- Semi Detached
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

Rickley Lane Guide Price £225,000



- Detached Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Bletchley Guide Price £160,000



- Semi Detached
- Corner Plot
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley Guide Price £140,000



- Well Presented
- End of Terrace
- Three Bedroom
- Gas to Radiator Central Heating
- Gardens

Bletchley Guide Price £250,000



- Well Presented
- Detached Character Property
- Four Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

Bletchley Offers IRO £135,000



- Semi Detached Property
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Oversized Detached Garage
- Front and Rear Gardens
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley Guide Price £130,000



- Semi Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- No Upper Chain

Bletchley Guide Price £170,000



- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Detached Garage
- Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- No Upper Chain

Rickley Lane Guide Price £130,000



- Three double bedrooms
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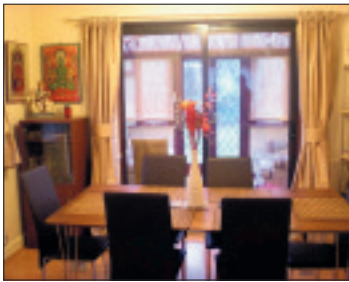
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- Four Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Conservatory
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

**Emerson Valley Offers IEO £55,000**

- Top Floor Maisonette
- Two Bedrooms
- Allocated Parking
- Offered For Sale At A 50% Share
- No Upper Chain

Shenley Church End £160,000

- Well Presented
- End of Terrace
- Two Bedrooms
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway and Garage

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Ms P is looking for a three bedroom detached property in West Milton Keynes. Can you help? Please call 01908 524456.

Crownhill Offers IEO £165,000

- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Driveway

Newton Longville £190,000

- Character Mid Terrace
- Three Bedrooms
- Separate Reception Rooms
- Garden

Westcroft Guide Price £220,000

- Well Presented
- Semi Detached
- Four/Five Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Single Garage

Oxley Park £349,995

- Detached Property
- Five Bedrooms
- Three Ensuites
- Rear Garden
- Driveway and Double Garage
- Internal Viewing Recommended

**Medbourne £190,995**

- Well Presented
- Executive Apartment
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Driveway and Garage

Westcroft £219,995

- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master Bedroom
- Landscaped Rear Garden
- Driveway and Garage

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Tattenhoe £239,995

- Very Well Presented
- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Rear Garden
- Driveway and Garage
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Bozeat

£175,000



- Well Presented
- Cul de Sac Location
- Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- UPVC Double Glazed Conservatory
- Front, Rear and Side Gardens
- Driveway and Single Garage

Olney Guide Price £139,995



- Well Presented
- Character Property
- Refitted Kitchen
- No Upper Chain

Lakes Lane

Offers IEO £250,000



- Extended Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Refitted Kitchen/Diner
- Refitted Bathroom
- Off Road Parking
- Front and Rear Gardens

Bozeat

£299,995



- Well Presented
- Detached Property
- Recently Refurbished
- Four Double Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Gardens
- Driveway

Great Linford Guide Price £225,000



- Extended Detached Property
- Three/Four Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front, Rear and Side Gardens
- Off Road Parking

Sherington Guide Price £230,000



- Link Detached Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Off Road Parking and Garage
- Front and Rear Gardens

Wollaston

£158,995



- Terraced Property
- Recently Refurbished
- UPVC Double Glazed
- Three Bedrooms
- No Upper Chain

Harrold Offers Over £215,000



- Well Presented
- Detached Property
- Three Bedrooms
- Ensuite to Master
- Front and Rear Gardens
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- No Upper Chain

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CLOAKROOM
SHOWER ROOM
GARDEN
OFF ROAD PARKING

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CLOAKROOM
SEPARATE RECEPTION
ENSUITE
GARDEN

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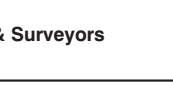
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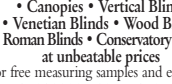
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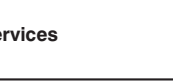


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Milton Keynes Council Standards Committee held a Hearing on 26 November 2010 to consider the outcome of an investigation into complaint (SC/09/11) that Councillor Andrew Dransfield had failed to observe the Members' Code of Milton Keynes Council.

The allegation before the Hearing was that Councillor Dransfield had failed to treat others with respect (paragraph 3(1) of the Milton Keynes Council members Code of Conduct) in comments made at a Council Meeting on 14 April 2009.

The Hearing Sub Committee of the Standards Committee found that Councillor Dransfield HAD NOT breached the Milton Keynes Council Code of Conduct for Councillors. The Standards Committee gave the following reasons for its decision;

During its determinations the Hearing Sub-Committee focused on 3 issues namely:

1. Allegations made regarding comments on 7 April 2009. The Sub-Committee accepted the Investigator's findings on this and for the purposes of today's hearing referred to the facts as background information only.
2. Mr Philip McCourt (Monitoring Officer)'s email to Cllr Dransfield issuing a warning regarding his use of language.
3. Whether, as a matter of fact the words liar or similar were used at the Council meeting on 14 April 2009.

The Hearing Sub-Committee carefully considered the Investigator's findings of fact and the evidence provided by Cllr Dransfield.

It was noted by the Hearing Sub-Committee that there was no evidence in the form of a transcript of the meeting or otherwise to suggest the words actually used at the meeting. The Hearing Sub-Committee noted that although a number of individuals were present at the meeting and a number of people were approached none could confirm exactly what was said at the meeting, particularly whether the words "liar" were specifically used.

When questioned, Cllr Dransfield could not recall whether he used the word "liar" although he accepted that "something" was said.

Having considered the evidence, the Hearing Sub-Committee were not satisfied, as a matter of fact, and on the balance of probabilities that the use of the word "liar" (or similar) on 14 April 2009 was proven and therefore dismissed the complaint on the facts.



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Any interested party (such as a resident or a local business) or responsible authority wishing to make representations either against or in support of the application must do so in writing by: 27-01-2011
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Dated this 5th day of January 2011

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HIGHWAYS AGENCY ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)(a) AND (7) THE M1 MOTORWAY (NORTH OF JUNCTION 14, MILTON KEYNES) (TEMPORARY 50 MILES PER HOUR SPEED RESTRICTION) ORDER 2011

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State for Transport intends to make an Order on the M1 Motorway in Milton Keynes, to provide a safe working environment for the workforce whilst temporary support structures are installed to facilitate the replacement of bridge parapets and edge beams on Portfields Farm access bridge.
The works are expected to take place over 2 – 3 weeks in two stages (8pm–5am Mondays, 11pm–5am Tuesdays to Thursdays, 11pm–7am Fridays, 10pm–8am Saturdays and midnight – 5am Sundays) with the first stage between Friday 4 February 2011 and Tuesday 22 February 2011 and the second stage between Wednesday 4 May 2011 and Saturday 23 May 2011.

The effect of the Order would be to impose a 50 miles per hour speed limit, in conjunction with hard shoulder, lane 1 and lane 2 closures followed by lanes 1, 2 and 3 (allowing traffic to run on the hard shoulder) on the M1 –
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The Order would come into force on 4 February 2011 and have a maximum duration of eighteen months.

Mrs A V Middleton, An official of the Highways Agency General enquiries relating to this notice may be made in writing to Rob Barron at the Highways Agency, Woodlands, Manton Lane, Manton Industrial Estate, Bedford MK41 7LW or by telephoning him on 01234 796363.

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August

7	Walsall	A	2-1
10	Dag & Red H (Carling Cup)	H	2-1
21	Carlisle	A	1-4
24	Blackpool (Carling Cup)	H	4-3
28	Swindon	H	2-1

September

4	Hartlepool	H	1-0
11	Brighton	A	0-2
15	Southampton	H	2-0
18	Rochdale	H	1-1
21	Birmingham (Carling Cup)	A	1-3
25	Peterborough	A	1-2
28	Charlton	A	0-1

October

2	Colchester	H	1-1
9	Charlton (JPT)	H	1-2
5	Dag & Red	H	2-0
16	Bournemouth	A	2-3
23	Exeter	H	1-0
30	Tranmere	A	2-4

November

2	Yeovil	H	3-2
6	Stevenage (FAC)	A	0-0
13	Brentford	A	2-0
16	Stevenage (FAC)	H	1-1
(Stevenage win 7-6 on penalties)			
20	Sheff Wed	H	1-4
23	Huddersfield	A	1-4

December

11	Notts County	A	0-2
28	Bournemouth	H	2-0

January

1	Bristol Rovers	H	2-0
3	Yeovil	A	0-1
8	Exeter	A	
15	Tranmere	H	
18	Plymouth	H	
22	Dag & Red	A	
29	Leyton Orient	H	

February

2	Bristol Rovers	A	
5	Sheff Wed	A	
12	Brentford	H	
19	Hartlepool	A	
26	Brighton	H	

March

5	Rochdale	A	
8	Charlton	H	
12	Colchester	A	
19	Peterborough	H	
26	Walsall	H	

April

2	Southampton	A	
9	Carlisle	H	
16	Swindon	A	
22	Huddersfield	H	
25	Plymouth	A	
30	Notts County	H	

May

7	Oldham	A	
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MK Dons assistant manager JOHN GORMAN writes exclusively for MK NEWS every week

WE were back on song over Christmas and we worked hard doing indoor sessions. Our two home results in the last week we thought might add to the terrific support we've had at stadiummk. We were outstanding against Bournemouth but even more so against Bristol Rovers.

With Jermaine Easter at Swansea and Aaron Wilbraham going to Norwich City it now gives players like Jabo Ibehre the chance to take on the mantle.

We came in the other night and were disappointed because Jabo had a good game but lacked the finish, but the management team from Bournemouth were saying 'what a player' and singing his praises.

I've spent a lot of time with him on the training ground and he is so willing to improve and he looks to me like he can go on to even better things.

We could have won the Bristol Rovers game by half-time had we got the third goal - their goalkeeper was their man-of-the-match. It was great to see Dan Powell get on the scoresheet after all the hard work we've put in with him in training.

But, it was hard going to Yeovil less than 48 hours later, not to mention the long journey down to Somerset.

After Saturday's result we were really geed up going to their place. The result left a bad taste in our mouth, especially after the two previous results. We only made one change as we felt Powell, after two great performances in a week, wouldn't be able to replicate that high energy with the game coming so quickly.

But we brought in Sam Baldock, who is one of the best talents around in the league. We just didn't get going and we got the result that we deserved.

Yeovil caused us problems and didn't play as their league position suggested.

The football we play is all out to win, but we need to be able to go to places and get a result, even if it is a draw.

Three draws and we would be right at the top. We have to learn, the players know this, we can't keep coming up with excuses especially with Exeter away on Saturday.

LEAGUE ONE TABLE

		HOME					AWAY								
		P	W	D	L	F	A	P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS
1	Brighton	22	7	4	0	23	8	5	3	3	16	9	22	43	
2	Southampton	22	7	3	3	23	9	4	1	4	14	11	17	37	
3	Bournemouth	22	8	1	2	28	10	2	5	4	13	15	16	36	
4	Huddersfield	23	7	2	3	19	10	4	1	6	16	18	7	36	
5	Charlton	22	5	3	3	13	15	4	4	3	24	18	4	34	
6	Sheff Wed	22	6	2	3	16	7	4	1	6	18	15	12	33	
7	Peterborough	21	7	1	3	30	24	3	2	5	13	18	1	33	
8	Hartlepool	21	4	2	3	17	20	5	3	4	9	9	-3	32	
9	MK Dons	22	8	2	1	18	9	2	0	9	11	24	-4	32	
10	Brentford	21	4	2	4	11	14	5	2	4	15	11	1	31	
11	Colchester	21	4	6	2	19	19	3	4	2	11	11	0	31	
12	Oldham	20	4	5	1	16	10	3	3	4	14	17	3	29	
13	Notts County	21	7	0	4	17	11	2	2	6	13	18	1	29	
14	Exeter	22	5	3	2	21	15	3	3	7	12	25	-7	29	
15	Carlisle	21	5	4	3	18	13	2	3	4	11	11	5	28	
16	Rochdale	21	4	4	2	18	14	3	3	5	14	15	3	28	
17	Swindon	22	5	3	4	16	17	2	4	4	20	21	-2	28	
18	Leyton Orient	21	5	2	2	15	10	2	4	6	16	23	-2	27	
19	Plymouth	21	5	4	4	17	17	2	2	4	9	13	-4	27	
20	Tranmere	21	4	2	5	12	16	3	2	5	12	16	-8	25	
21	Bristol Rovers	20	3	2	3	7	12	2	5	5	16	24	-13	22	
22	Yeovil	21	3	2	4	12	16	2	3	7	9	20	-15	20	
23	Dag & Red	21	2	4	3	10	13	2	2	8	13	24	-14	18	
24	Walsall	21	3	0	7	10	19	2	2	7	9	20	-20	17	



The Yeovil defence holds firm as Gary McKenzie goes up for the ball

Dons are 'not good enough' says boss

BY ADAM THOMPSON

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MK DONS manager, Karl Robinson, admitted his side 'weren't good enough' following Monday's 1-0 defeat to League One basement strugglers Yeovil.

An 11th-minute header from Paul Huntingdon proved the difference but the Glovers were the better side and only lacklustre finishing prevented Dons from slumping to a heavier scoreline against a side that haven't won in the league since September.

The defeat means that the Dons have picked up just six points all season on the road despite sitting in seventh place, a point outside the play-offs.

Robinson said: "I don't think you

can blame playing away, we just didn't turn up, and we weren't good enough.

"That's not the side that we're trying to build. We made changes due to tiredness but it was night and day compared to our last two performances, but you have got to swallow it and accept it."

Dons made one change to the team that comprehensively beat Bournemouth and Bristol Rovers but once again they came unstuck on the road.

The manager added: "When you come to places like this (Yeovil) you have to be defensively sound, but I thought we looked on the back foot defensively.

"We gave them opportunities early on, which gave them momentum. Their goal, from our point of view,

was a catalogue of errors. We have to be a little bit stronger defensively and mentally."

MK's performance was a shadow of the levels seen in the two previous games, where they had out-classed the opposition, beating both Bristol Rovers and AFC Bournemouth 2-0.

Even when Yeovil were reduced to ten men in the 82nd minute Dons couldn't fashion a grandstand finish.

Michael McIndoe, who extended his loan until the end of the month, had to endure chants of 'Judas' on his return to Huish Park, was involved in the dismissal.

He and substitute Jean Paul Kalala went for a 50-50 ball in the centre circle, Kalala retaliated and raised his hands to the loanee and was given his marching orders just six minutes after coming on.

Hot-shot Leven is not interested in the table

MK DONS' top-scorer, Peter Leven, says confidence is high that the club can achieve a play-off place even if the midfielder refuses to look at the table yet.

Speaking after their 2-0 victory against Bristol Rovers on Saturday, Leven, who took his tally for the season to six in the win, said manager Karl Robinson's men are taking each game one at a time.

"I've not even looked at the league, I'm not even interested in it," he said.

"We're just going to take it game by game and if we keep putting in performances like against Bristol Rovers we'll be up there by the end of the season.

"We've been playing decent foot-

ball and the results have come for us in the last few games. We've passed the ball well over the season, that's something the manager has emphasised by passing the ball and playing the right way.

"We're definitely confident. If we keep passing and doing the right thing on the ball we should be there at the end of the season."

Both goals came in the first 15 minutes at stadiummk.

Dan Powell struck a fine opener from 20 yards which was followed three minutes later by a wickedly deflected Leven free-kick - but the midfielder said he's still claiming it.

"Yes, it was my goal. It only took a slight deflection," he joked.

COMING UP

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DONS go to Devon at the weekend desperate to put an end to their woeful away form and do the double over Exeter City this season

Karl Robinson's men have only won two and lost nine on their travels this term and a 1-0 defeat on Monday at Yeovil was the latest low point.

Also at stake is an impeccable record that has seen the Dons never lose to the Grecians.

Five times the two teams have met in league and cup and in all but one Dons have emerged victorious.

The other result was a 1-1 draw in Milton Keynes last season.

Exeter have lost their last two games to Southampton and Brighton & Hove Albion, the league's top two, yet they scored five against Sheffield Wednesday before those two losses. But the Grecians have only managed to keep three clean sheets all season.



'When we come away you can't keep playing the pretty football that everyone wants to see' - Karl Robinson

Boss looking for change in style to beat travel sickness

BY ADAM THOMPSON

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KARL Robinson admits he may have to adopt a new style of football on the road to turn around his side's poor away record as they prepare to travel to St James' Park and a showdown with Exeter City.

The Dons go into the game with only two wins on the road all season but a victory for the Grecians on Saturday will see them go level on points in League One with Robinson's men.

And the manager says he may have to ditch their total football philosophy - which has won plaudits at home - in order to secure points away from stadium.

Dons' latest bout of travel sickness came on Monday when they were beaten by 1-0 by relegation threatened Yeovil and that seems to have sparked a change of attitude in the manager.

"When we come away you can't keep playing the pretty football that everyone wants to see," he said. "We need to go a little bit longer at times and pin them in and ride storms as well."

"You have to start picking up points on the road if you want to be in the play-offs. If we're not going to do that then we're going to fall short."

"The way the league is this year if a side turns up and performs and you don't, they're going to beat you."

Next up Exeter City were beaten by a last minute goal at league leaders Brighton & Hove Albion on Monday.



The Swindon goal comes under pressure from Adam Carr
Pic: Jez Tibbetts

Lightning close gap after overtime win

ICE HOCKEY

IT was better late than never for MK Lightning as they emerged 2-1 winners against Swindon Wildcats last Thursday despite being taken to overtime in front of a vocal festive crowd.

The result means Milton Keynes closed the gap on Slough Jets above them in the EPL table, with five games in hand.

Grant McPherson returned to bolster the home side's attacking options after recovering from a niggling hip injury and there was a new Wildcat on the ice in Jonas Hoog, recently signed from Swedish Division One.

Swindon were determined to make coach Nick Poole's men fight every step of the way and a very closely-contested first period saw Lightning pushed hard by Ryan Aldridge's side.

Swindon were buoyed by a 7-6 win over Basingstoke three days before they travelled to Milton Keynes but Lightning successfully managed an early penalty kill

period when defender Leigh Jamieson was sent to the sin-bin.

Referee Matt Thompson handed Swindon hotshot Josef Liska a ten minute misconduct penalty when the Slovakian slammed his stick against the bench wall, after he had already dismissed his complaints about an offside call.

Lightning rode their luck twice in the second period when Monir Kalgoum and Poole received minor penalties in quick succession, but emerged from both shorthanded episodes only to concede at full strength when Liska and Aldridge set up Lithuanian winger Egidijus Bauba to score the opener just after the half hour mark.

Forced to play an increasingly physical game to hold off the home side, Swindon lost two players to the penalty box in quick succession and Lukas Zatopek scored a power-play goal for MK five minutes later after latching on to a Gary Clarke cross.

The action continued apace in the final period with Lightning becoming increasingly influential,

and the frantic efforts of both sides and their keepers meant that supporters watched nervously as their teams were taken to overtime to decide who took home the two points.

Defender Leigh Jamieson set up fans' favourite Andre Smulter to fire home the decisive goal in the fourth minute.

Poole said: "We were a little sluggish in the first two periods but got much stronger in the third, and it was great to see us determined to get the win in front of a great crowd for a mid-week game. We feel confident, and are excited to get the New Year started with a big win that can help lift us up the table."

■ Lightning's next home fixture is against local rivals Peterborough Phantoms on Saturday, with face-off 7pm at Planet Ice.

■ MK Lightning's away game against Bracknell Bees, postponed from Sunday, December 19 because of adverse weather, has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 13 at The Hive, with face-off at 8pm.

Coach New excited as guard Bolds joins Lions

BASKETBALL

MK LIONS have added guard Demarius Bolds to their roster

The 6ft 3ins American played last season in Kosovo averaging 23 points per game, 4.3 rebounds and 3.5 assists per game. He was an All Star and also voted Eurobasket Import Player of the Year.

A graduate of Missouri Western University he was a fulcrum of their offence nailing 17.4 points per game with his athleticism garnering him nearly seven rebounds per outing.

Following graduation, Bolds featured in the top League in Lithuania where he played with Techsas and was impressive with nearly 14 points and five rebounds per game.

Coach Michael New is excited about his new addition, saying: "We needed some more aggression and enthusiasm on the basketball floor and Demarius fits the bill, he will galvanise us offensively whilst bringing intensity to the defensive end."

Lions Chief Executive, Vince Macaulay said: "We needed to shake things up a bit, we are in a great position in the league having lost just four games. With our venue issues now sorted out we should be playing almost two games a week from here."

"If we can hit a good vein of form things should start to be a little exciting around here."

In a related move the Lions have released Jelani Gardner and Keith Darden.

"Both players were of the same opinion that we needed to go in a different direction and we were happy to oblige, I wish them well in their careers," said Macaulay.

The Lions next game of the season sees them travel to face Mersey Tigers this Saturday then stay in the north west as they visit Cheshire Jets on the Sunday.

The Lions will next play at home on Friday, January 14 when the Glasgow Rocks are the visitors to the MK Lions Arena.

Bletchley Rugby Club founder member dies

ONE of the founding members of Bletchley Rugby Club and a former Rugby Football Union President died on December 27.

Peter Trunkfield, who joined Bletchley RFC in his youth and was an honorary life member and trustee, was president of the game's governing body in 1998/99 during his time as RFU Council representative for Buckinghamshire and enjoyed a wide international circle of rugby friends after acting as a liaison officer for incoming tours to the

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UK for over 20 years. In a statement on Bletchley's website, chairman Chris Goodman, said: "The rugby union world has lost one of its greatest and most respected gentlemen."

"I hope you will join me in remembering his wife Pat their son, daughter and family at this very difficult time."

"The club will keep you all informed of the funeral details as

they become available.' RFU Chairman Martyn Thomas, said: "Peter was a hugely popular figure, a great worker for the game and a genuine rugby man of the highest order."

"He was well respected throughout rugby and especially among his former Council and Constituent Body colleagues."

"His involvement spanned the amateur and professional eras and I honestly don't think he had an enemy in the world. He was active in the game right up to his

death and I was with him at a recent Buckinghamshire Roadshow."

"He rang me and wrote to me on a regular basis and his wise counsel, as well as his genial nature, will long be remembered by everyone who came into contact with him. Our sincere condolences go to his wife Pat and his son and daughter."

■ Bletchley return to action after the Christmas break with a league game against Maidenhead on Saturday (kick-off 2.15pm).

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Dons look to loan deals as Wilbraham departs

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MK Dons' assistant manager, John Gorman, admits the club will be chasing bargains and loan deals in the January transfer window.

Winger Michael McIndoe has extended his loan from Coventry City until January 30 but so far the only other movement has been in the opposite direction.

Striker Aaron Wilbraham departed for Championship outfit Norwich City on New Year's Day, while academy players, Tom Flanagan and Charlie Collins, have gone on loan to Kettering Town to boost their development.

The former was given 90 minutes as the Poppies beat local rivals Rushden & Diamonds 2-1 in the Blue Square Bet Premier on Monday, while Collins came on as an 85th minute substitute.

Gorman said: "We have been working hard looking at players but the funds we have are few.

"Myself, Karl (Robinson) and our scouts have been at games and we are looking for players on the cheap or players we can get in on loan."

The Dons number two also praised the club's young guns who have stepped in to reinforce Karl Robinson's team, saying: "What we mustn't forget is we have some very good youngsters at the club, Dan Powell has shown that this week.

"We have worked hard with our youth players Powell, Sam Baldock, Adam Chicksen and they've all made the step-up this season."



Meanwhile, Wilbraham has spoken of his love for the Dons after ending his five-and-a-half year stay at the stadiummk outfit.

The 31-year-old said: "I spent the best part of my career at MK Dons.



After playing in the Championship with Stockport, when I was quite young, things didn't really work out for me at Hull and I kind of rebuilt my career at MK."

He added: "The close relationship

with the fans are the things that really stay with you.

"Because it's such a unique, tight-knit family club, I got to know a lot of the fans personally and there are some really great people there."

Left: Fans' favourite Aaron Wilbraham has moved to Norwich.

Above: Michael McIndoe tries to get a shot in on Saturday. The on-loan Coventry winger is staying at the Dons to the end of this month.

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